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Students' holiday cash cut

during holidays are being withdrawn, but almost half of the £40 million to £45 million saved will be returned in bigger grants for undergraduates living away from home, under pro-posals announced by the

Parkinson post

Mr Cecil Parkinson, the former Cabinet Minister, has become chairman of a trust which aims to help to rehabilitate formes drug addicts back into society Page 3

Missile mix-up

The Syrians reportedly firective Same anti-aucrast party at Israell recommissance. expressed surprise at the claim.

Hostages hope.

Efforts to free four French Sir Raymond who bostages in Lebanon-are: at all decisive phase an official in - Paris said amid reports that special French envoy was in Damascus.

Texas visit

The Prince of Wales will visit Texas for five days from February 17 to celebrate the state's 150th anniversary, but his wife will not accompany him. The Prince will visit Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio, and then go to California for a dinner dance given by the former US Ambassador to Britain, Mi Walter Annenberg.

Tito wrangle

Yugoslavia has rushed through izing the late President Tito's estate to block legal action by his widow claiming cars, jewelry, paintings and vineyards Page 7

Mines cleared

Thousands of black South African miners dismissed for going on strike were forced on to buses and driven away from platinum mines in Bophutats-Page 5

Lagos pressed

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, told the Nigerian Foreign Minister, Professor Bolaji Akinyemi, that British creditors were concerned about Nigeria's debt-repayment inten-

Jet crash

The pilot and navigator of an RAF Phantom jet suffered broken bones when they ejected from their crashing aircraft in Yorkshire. The Walden Valley was scaled off until the wreck-Page 3 age was secured

Bill fears

Fears are growing that the Building Societies Bill, which will allow the societies more freedom on lending, may not be enacted for at least a year

Bonn 'horrors'

Descriptions of some Bonn ministers as "grandmasters of Frankenstein's cabinet of horrors" have enlivened the West German political scene but may Page ' have gone too far

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New offer is sent direct to Westland shareholders

Sir Raymond said last night:

"Westland will become an

if it accepts the US and Italian

Technology transfer between the two would be one way only, to the United States, and the

The Anglo-European consortium fighting for a chance to "Westland will become an rescue Westland helicopters offshore subsidiary of Sikorsky yesterday improved its offer to £75 million, and decided to bypass the company's board by sending details directly to

sending details directly to shareholders.

Sir Raymond Lygo, chief European consortium, made up of GEC and British Aerospace acting together, Agusta of Italy, MBB of West Germany and Cuckney, the chairman of Aerospatiale of France, could Westland, of terrorizing his offer the best design and shareholders into accepting the manufacturing work to Westland, he said.

Sir Raymond said that the Westland has been told by the consortium that three key

improved European offer was the consortium that three key better than that of Sikorsky. European projects will give it Fiat, and Westland's share 1.8 million man hours of work holders must be made aware of over three years. These are the it, but Mr Michael Baughan, of EH101, the NH90 and a new Lazards, which is acting for European battlefield helicopter, Westland, reacted to the new Agusta confirmed last night that

Westland, reacted to the new offer by saying. It is a cosmetic that the totality of the package. Sir John said on Monday that if shareholders voted against the resolutions allowing the company to borrow more money and take the Sikorsky-Fiat £74 infilion offer, Westland would inevitably go into receivership. The European consortium, which met him last night, takes exception to that view. It is requesting shareholders at the January 14 meeting to vote against motions two and three, which would approve the Sikorsky-Fiat deal, but to accept motion one, which would agree to a capital resonstruction.

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European countries press Westland

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Pressure behind the scenes British, Secretary of State for from European governments Trade and Industry, had urged over the future of the Westland him to challenge arguments put break into the open yesterday.

The Italian Government-entered the fray with a state-ment from Signor Bettino Craxi, the Prime Minister, which said: The Italian Government hopes that a choice will still be possible which favours European interests in the important helicopter

It was also learnt that M Paul Quiles, the French Defence Minister, had sent an encouraging personal message to Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, and that the Germans and the Dutch had made similar gestures of sup-

Meanwhile, an air of relative calm descended over Whitehall in the wake of Monday's asionishing exchange between Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Solici-tor General, and Mr Heseltine.

The only surprise of the day was a candid statement from Mr Patrick Jenkin, the former Secretary of State for

helicopter company began to out by Mr Heseltine. break into the open yesterday. Mr Jenkin said: "It is an astonishing public row and I find it more and more difficult to understand Mr Heseltine's

about a rescue deal. Sir Raymond admitted this but

commented: "We must mot let

emotion overide a commercial

package. The only alternative left to us is to appeal directly to shareholders and improve an alternaty better offer.

Lloyds Merchant Bank,

which is acting for the Euro-peans, has been lobbying

Westland's institutional share-

holders to obtain a postpone-ment of the January 14 meeting. Mr David Home, its managing

director, said that he was reasonably encouraged by their

"The idea that somehow if Westland shareholders decide to accept the United Technologies-Fiat offer it is going to cut them off from collaboration in Europe seems to me to be

very far-fetched. The problem I feel with Michael is that although he is pursuing a perfectly legitimate objective overall, in securing a greater European presence in defence procurement and giving the Atlantic alliance a stronger

European base, there have got to be horses for courses. "He is out on a limb to a point where his case has become almost untenable." When Sir Robin asked Mr

Jenkin whether he was speaking on behalf of Mr Brittan, Mr Jenkin replied: "I found myself talking to Leon yesterday and he raised the issue and we talked about it and he said: Environment, who told Sir Well, it would be very useful if Robin Day in a BBC World at you were to say that. I am One interview that Mr Leon speaking with his knowledge."

Icy grip on Britain

Snow drifts and floods blocked many roads in Britain vesterday, and weather experts say that most of the country will stay in the grip of icy conditions burst their banks.

Worst conditions were in Wales where strong winds fanned the snow into high drifts

and closed more than 200 schools. In Devon hours of torrential rain flooded roads when rivers

• Forecast: More sleet and snow over Wales and central England, spreading to East blood-sucking drug supplier. Anglia and London later in the day.

Details, back page of this tragedy, but you bave got



nears final agreement

· From Diana Geddes Paris .

The chances for the con-struction of a fixed cross-Channel link moved a step closer to realization yesterday after what was described as a "useful and friendly" meeting in Paris. between the transport ministers of Britain and France, Mr Nicholas Ridley and M Jean

No firm decision was taken on any one particular project but if was agreed that the two ministers should meet again-over the next few days, probably in London at the weekend, to try to reach a final agreement before the official announcement of the two Governments' choice by President Mitterrand and Mrs Thatcher in Lille on January

Neither side was willing to make any comment on the progress of the talks which lasted more than four hours over an hour longer than expected. But informed sources indicated that it had been a productive meeting

No project had either been ruled out or chosen, the sources said, without indicating wbether there had nevertheless been a leaning toward one particular project. Neither government has yet adopted a firm position and there had been no clash between the two sides. Both had rather been edging forward together" towards a consensus on the best choice for both countries.

Yesterday's meeting ap-peared to rule out any possi-bility of the fixed link not getting the political go-ahead. Mr Ridley had raised doubts about the project's future last month when be suggested that none of the main contenders might be acceptable to the two

to isolating Gadaffi

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Before President Reagan's to threaten Colonel Gadaffi announcement last night of his than as preparations for a Administration's measures against Libya officials were working out the damage additional US sanctions would impose on Libya and how Western Europe could help in isolating Gadaffi. Colonel Muammar

Administration has The promised immediate and comprehensive sanctions against Libya, but realizes it has only limited economic leverage. as trade has already been sharply reduced over the past five years. The effectiveness of US sanctions is also lessened as long as the West European allies continue trading with Libya.

Before his televised press conference, the first for four months, President Reagan made it clear that be intended to "keep his military muscle flexed." He told aides on Monday he wanted to make Colonel Gadaffi go to sleep every, night unsure about possible US military action against Libya.

The naval units now patrolling the Mediterranean are part of this psychological intimidation. The manocuvres are seen here now more as a tactic

The Administration has been under pressure to produce hard evidence of Libya's involvement with terrorism and even before Mr Reagan's announce-ment officials were considering the release of classified aerial

than as preparations for a military strike, whh seems

increasingly unlikely.

photographs showing the training camps. The State Department described Colonel Gadafit's denial of these camps' existence as "really incredible and patently false," and US intelligence says that up to 15 have been set up to train Palestinian guerrillas. Already some recriminations

have broken out bere over why the US appears to have missed the opportunity for swift military retaliation against Libya. Mr Reagan was on boliday in California during the airport attacks. In their review of military ptions, Pentagon planners pointed out to him the difficulty of pinpointing the right targets that did not involve civilian casualties, but the President apparently gave them little guidance on his intentions

US farm minister quits

Washington - Mr John Block, the US Agriculture Secretary, resigned yesterday in move that surprised bis supporters and even his own on running his farm in Illinois (Michael Binyon writes). His departure, which appears

to have been encouraged by the White House, is the result of mounting pressure on him, and his feeling that be was not receiving full support from the President. He has presided over the most troubled period in US agriculture since the 1930s, and

bas been attacked in Congress over the cost of farm pro-grammes and the way they bave

been run.
Mr Block appears to have been torn in his loyalties as the Administration resisted pleas for emergency farm aid and pressed ahead with steps to cut subsidies.

Last month saw the passing of a controversial Bill that offered incentives for exports but reduced long-standing government price support for grain and other commodities.

Marquis jailed as a 'common criminal'

beir to a £50 million fortune who has broken a probation was yesterday branded a "com- order." mon criminal" and jailed for three months.

Mr Eric Crowther the magistrate at Horseferry Road court, London, through the illegal taking of drugs, you, one of the richest and most powerful men in the land, have become a common criminal.

The 30-year-old son of the Duke of Marlborough and beir to the Blenheim Palace estate. was jailed for breach of a probation order made last

Mr Crowther said: "If it prevents some young person this evening from putting money into the hands of a blood-sucking drug supplier, some good will have come out

The Marquis of Blandford, to be treated like everybody else ant has, in one sense, had all the

Earlier the magistrate rejected remommendations by the de-fence and probation officer, Mrs Jane MacIndoe, to defer sentence for six months for Blanford to continue treatment at a drugs clinic.

Mrs MacIndoe said that

although Blandford had not kept some appointments with ber and had not seen her since October, he telephoned several times, but refused to say where he was living: "I had certain suggestions to

make which he did not wish to follow", Mrs MacIndoe said. "I have tried to find him a place in a clinic but he said he felt very well and did not want to go." Mr Montague Sherborne, for the defence, said: "This defend-

advantages of life and in another sense has a very great disadvantage in that he has become, unhappily, a drug addict.

in that situation the problem is always one of willpower and the ability to make good his best

intentions. Mr Sherbourne said the original heroin offence was Lord Blandford's first drugs

There is now a real chance that the process of rehabilitation, and it is really going to be a very slow and uphill

process, can succeed. Blandford, described on the charge sheet as an insurance broker of Draycott Place. Chelsea, was refused bail

ment that people should come out of institutions and be cared for at home.

"The Government has a legal and moral obligation to pay the allowance, but while it will add at least £85 million to the social security budget it may well cost much less than that overall because there will be savings on the high cost of caring for people institutions", Mr Smith said.

Lending surge puts pressure on base rates

. The pound again was genersoft. The sterling index fell to its lowest level for eight months, slipping by 0.4 to 77.5.

Against the dollar, the pound dropped a third of a cent to \$1.4385, later trading in New York at \$1.4400 York at \$1.4400.

The pound was weakest ember increase puts sterling M? growth over 12 months at 15 per cent, up from 14.4 per cent in November.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancel of the control against the Deling briefly to DM3.49 against the German mark, before settling at DM3.5122, a 1½ pfennig fall on

the day. The provisional money supply figures for banking in December showed a rise in the sterling M3 measure of money of 0.5-0.75 per cent. This was slightly better than the market bad expected, and produced a small recovery in government

But this quickly faded when it became known that the figures included a £2.1 billion rise in bank lending during the month. This, after a £1.9 billion November rise, suggests that bank lending, far from being restrained by high real interest tates, is accelerating.

Figures from the London and Scottisb clearing banks showed

lending up in most categories, justed £128 million and credit Chancellor is unlikely to att card use by nearly £100 million. empt to resist market pressure

Over the next three months, bank lending to companies is expected to be strong. Firms have an added incentive to borrow to invest before the 1985/86 capital allowances are phased out on April 5. The money supply figures

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent £2.1 billion rise in bank were distorted by the unwinding leading fast month continued to of a discrepancy which boosted sterling M3 by £1 billion in rates in the Loudon money markets yesterday.

were distorted by the inwinking of a discrepancy which boosted sterling M3 by £1 billion in November. This partly unwound last month, cutting money supply growth by £400

> Public borrowing was greater than sales of government debt by £200 million, and the money supply was expanded by this amount as a result. The 0.5-0.75 per cent Dec-

> cellor, discarded the targe: growth rate for sterling M3 of 5-9 per cent in October, when it

became clear that it was going to be missed. Mr Lawson's favoured money target, narrow money MO, rose 0.25-0.5 per cent, and is just 2.25 per cent up on a year ago. The target range is 3-7 per cent, but the Bank of England warned that the latest 12-month figure is artificially distorted

downwards.

Money market interest rate ruse 1s per cent yesterday. The three-month interbank rate rose to more than 12 per cent and unless rates subside, the high street banks will have no optio but to push up base rates from the current 11.5 per cent level. Although even a small rise is and particularly to farmers and personal customers. House an outery from the Confeder purchase finance rose an unadation of British Industry, the

> for an increase. The last time this waattempted, in January last year foreign exchange dealers seized the opportunity to sell the pound, pushing it down almost to parity with the dollar, Kenneth Fleet, page 17

Canon pulls out of Football League

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

The Football League are to lose the financial support of the public's awareness of Canon. Our marketing figure sporting bistory. Canon (UK)
Limited, the manufacturers of cameras and business equipment, are not to renew a chieved our initial aim.

The camaíe has been "stagge-" ment, are not to renew a contract worth £3.3 million over the last three years, but the ban on cigarette and alcobol

sponsors, backers will soon be The game's tarnished image, which was deeply scarred by the tragedies at Bradford and Brussels, was suggested as the principle reason behind most loyal supporters and that Canon's decision, which surprised League officials. The families. Their financial assist-

were starting again to look for a sponsorship deal, we would go for the league once more. Three

The camaig has been "staggeringly successful," according to Barry Gill, representing CSS Promotions Limited, the firm appointed by the League io 1982 to find a sponsor.

Apart from rewarding the teams that finished at the top of each division. Canon offered prizes for the clubs that scored the most goals, that had the

company's representative ance at the continue.

claim.

Martin Walker, the bead of Martin Valker, the bead of tive already received two "tentative" approaches, will be seek-inconfers that are similar if not ing offers that are similar if not

New offers to League, page 21

Follow Leader the quality scotch pending an appeal against sentence. BELLS ald Bootch Whish TRA SPEC

Married women get EEC support on invalid

By Nicholas Timmins

The European Commission has backed the right of married women who care for a disabled mother to receive an invalid care allowance in a test case that has far reaching implications for the Government's community care policy, and of Justice in Luxembourg on could add at least \$85 million a January 22. year to social security spend-

The commission argues that Britain's refusal to pay the £23 a week allowance to married women breaches its directive on equal treatment, as men who

give up work for someone who is disabled qualify for the

The British Social Security Appeal Tribunal has already ruled that that the policy breaches the EEC directive. The final stage of the case is to be heard at the European Court

The Department of Health and Social Security said yesterday that, if it loses, an estimated 70,000 to 76,000 married women would qualify for the weekly payment, and an additional 96,000 married a school crossing patrol officer and cleaner to care for both her father, who has since died, and

The case is being brought by

Mrs Jacqueline Drake, aged 42, of Worsley, Manchester, who gave up her job in June 1984 to care for her severely disabled mother. If she were a man she would qualify for the care allowance, but the rules stipulate that because she is married and lives with her husband she cannot qualify.

Mrs Drake gave up work as

her mentally disabled mother.

In its comments to the court on the case, the commission says part of the argument against the benefit being covered by the equal treatment directive is that it is paid to the carer, not the invalid. But it warns that if that argument is apheld it "would open the door to the possibility of widespread formal modification of existing benefits covered by the directive, so as to take them out of

its scope". Mr Roger Smith, solicitor to the Child Poverty Action Group, which is backing Mrs Drake's case, said that if she

wins "it should make it easier for married women to care for disabled relatives at home". "There is widespread agree-

Social security support for students cut by up to £45m a year

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

payment of housing unemploys said.

ment and supplementary benefit to students, which will cut have £40 million to £45 million off the £120 million now spent on student support through social security, were announced by the Government yesterday.

Later been plut to the beautiful to the plans, Mr Announcing the plans, Mr Scurity, were announced by the supplementary and unemployable aspects of the present system ment benefit in the short were "virtually indefensible".

In return, changes in the way housing benefit is assessed and a £36-a-year increase in the Excluding students in halls living away from home will plough back between £20 million and £25 million of the

vesterday by the National Union of Sutdents, which said that students stood to lose up to £200 a year from the changes. In no way is a £36-a-year increase in the grant compen-sation for that ", it said.

were leaked just before Christmas, the union had been "flooded" hy inquiries from so that they include only the anxious parents. "Parents are grant-aided period, not the full

Tough restrictions on the through to MPs", the union academic year 1986-87, except The proposed changes, which have been put to the social Security Advisory Committee for comment, include:

of residence from housing benefit; at present, about 85,000 make such claims.

To limit payment of housing benefit for accommodation from which students are absent in the long vacation; about 50,000 students make such claims at a cost of more than £10 million.

In no way is a £36-a-year Simplification of the assess-ncrease in the grant compen-ation for that it said.

Since details of the changes cre leaked just before Christ-cre leaked just before Christ-

incensed about this and we year.
believe their anger will get The changes are due in the



Mr Dnncan Mackay, deputy secretary of the Open Spaces Society, showing the plans for an office development on Horsell Common, near Woking

Divided teachers in meeting with Acas **Scotland** By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

employers to continue where

Today the employers are due

Acas move, and are thought

feels there is scope for progress.

Mr Fred Jarvis. NUT general

it will hold further talks with

larly the demand that em-

ployers commit themselves to

Acas separately, although Mr

Jarvis was sceptical that the

conciliation service could do

pessimistic. He said: "Parents

and pupils are desperate, and

we would be in default of our

serious responsibilities if we did

not try every means at our

disposal to find some way out of

Mr Smithies was not as

This was why it wanted to see

restoring 1974 pay levels.

Teachers' unions met the It also said that the refusal of

conciliation service Acas yesterthe Government to provide
day for preliminary talks in a additional funds remained a new attempt to solve the 11- crucial obstacle. Finally, the month pay dispute, but there teachers panel called for further was little optimism that it talks with the local authority

would lead to a settlement. It was the first time that the they left off on December 17. whole of the teachers' panel has met Acas during the dispute, to meet separately to discuss the although leaders of teachers' Acas move, and are thought unions did meet the concili- likely to meet the conciliation ation service for informal talks service this aftenoon. If Acas

last year. Bul the higgest teachers' union, the National Union of both sides. Teachers, refused to go along with the others because it secretary, explained that his disagreed with the motion union attached great importapproved by the majority. It ance to its four principles as a asked for, and was granted, a basis for a settlement, particuseparate meeting with Acas yesterday to explain its differ-

ences of opinion. The split served to highlight once again the divisions which have dogged the teachers' side

during the dispute.

Mr Fred Smithies, general anything secretary of the second biggest

Mr Si union, the National Association Schoolmaslers/Union of omen Teachers, regretted the

NUT's decision.
He said: "It will be seen as a new and perhaps very significant emphasis on the divisions that exist among the leachers' unions, and I think also that it necessarily impairs the integrity of the teachers' panel."

The unions decided by 15 that going to Acas was the only votes to nil, with the 13 NUT votes abstaining, to accept Acas's invitation for explorathat the last informal offer of 6.9 per cent, staged so that teachers would receive 7.5 per cent hy the end of next March. was not enough.

Plea to end strikes in

very small".

By Ronald Faux The Government has appealed to teachers in Scotland to join negotiations to end their

campaign of strikes. A letter from Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, was delivered yester-doy in the Educational Institute of Scotland, the largest teachers' Union, as 730 intitute members were preparing to resume their campaign with

two day of strikes. The union expects that 35 schools will close today and tomorrow, affecting 15,000 pnpils in the most disruptive start to a new term since strike

In his letter. Mr Ynnnger said that the Government had made substantial resources available to give teachers o significant shift newards in the public sector pay league. The cash offer of £125 million over four years would give teachers, by 1990 an average of £1,000 a year more than the level they would expect to reach through normal annual increases.

The appeal will he con-sidered by the "inner cablnet" of the EIS later this week, but teachers' leaders saw the documents as a formal rejection proposals made three

action which is rapidly ap-proaching its anniversary." Mr David Hart, general secretary of the National Asmonths agn. Mr Fred Forrester, organizsociation of Headteachers, said ing secretary of the EIS, said that Mr Younger has made no concession to warrant an end to "If the negntiations he was

niierma without strings Mrs Nikki Harrison, leader of we would be there tomnrrow. the employers' side, issued a Sadly he is still insisting on a statement to say that the complete renegotiation of a teachers' decision was an teacher's condition of service." Letters, page 13 land.

(Photograph: Peter Trievnor). Developers seen as 'Martian invaders'

The first time Horsell Common near Woking in Surrey, saw Martian invaders of the Earth was in the H. G. Wells' 1898 classic The War t the Worlds.

The common round the sandpits was dotted with people standing like myself in a halffascinated terror," he wrote. That is just how opponents of a development planned for the fringe of the common by

Beacontree Estates of Maidenhead now see themselves. Mr Duncan Mackay, deputy secretary of the Open Spaces Society, likened the company to

invaders from Mars. The company was aggricved at the opposition voiced at a public inquiry yesterday into a scheme that includes cleaning up a derelict bank of the Basingstoke canal, replacing an ugly factory with new high-tech office accommodation, and using less than one of the 700 acres of common for a car Opponents of the development demanded its rejection because its car park will be huilt on a small piece of common

The strength of opposition has turned the case into a key test of the Government's determination not to let conservation hamper the growth of new industries.

Mr Christopher Wehh, who spoke for the Horsell Common Preservation Society, at the inquiry said afterwards "We are not prepared to give up any common land under any cir-

"The developers will be taking public access common land merely for the private gain of themselves and their clients, Mr Mackay said.

The company had to make three planning applications each under a different Act. One was for the building, another to encroach on the common, and third to build near a prehistoric burial mound.

Mr Robert Waters, the scheme, which includes new access roads, would protect the mound, improve road safety and replace "an eyesore" with a gabled brick huilding.

no question of it being a million sports sponsorship. The has applied for reactions early industry's voluntary agreement this month The Westland crisis

Rescue could 'restore old glory'

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Sponsorship of all sporting with the Government on sports sponsorship is currently being renegotiated.

Labour government. The advertising of tobacco products except at the point of sale would be a sport of sale would be

The BBC should stop show-

presently ineffective health warning on Cigarette packets should be strengthened. Mr

Dobsou said.

He complained that many note the existing health promotion campaigns aimed at combating smoking "appear to be of the middle-class. by the middle-class and for the middle-class."

He said. "I am convinced that there is a minimized.

that there is an irreversible tide

of opinion against tobacco, We

must work to speed up and

build up the tide, and to see that

it washes niver the poor as well

society as a whole can achieve what we want individual

initiative is not enough and can

never be enough. But I want to

see action against tobacco taken.

as part of a general effort to make sure that everyone can

Mr Dick Tracey, Minister for

Sport and a non-smoker, said

Mr Dobson's proposals to end

sponsorship were impractical

The Labour Party is prepar-

ing to rush out a new policy

part of its response to last year's

riois. (Our political contespon-

dent writes).

An initial rough draft of the

charter was circulated to front-

benchers before Christmas and

Mr Geoff Bish, the party's

charter" for the inner cities as

lead healthier lives.".

"Only public action taken by

otherwise, sponsored tobacco companies and

Labour government. The advertising of tobacco products except at the point of sale would also be prohibited.

The party policy, outlined by Mr Frank Dobson, the Minister for Health, at o Cambridge conference on the politics of tobacco yesterday, delighted the anti-smoking lobby but caused tobacco industry.

Mr. Dobson criticzed the Sports Council and other sports bodies for continuing to allow spousorship by tobacco comparies. He said: "As there can till prospect of them acting responsibly and consistents will prohibit the sponsor ship of sporting events by tobacco industry.

The BBC should stone the point of sale would should stone the politics of the proposition of the politics of the proposition of the politics of the proposition of the politics of the politics of the proposition of the politics of the proposition of the proposition

tobacco industry.

The BBC should stop show.

Many of the nation's sporting ing oil events, sporting or events rely on financial support otherwise, sponsored by

think it will have any effect as over the well-off and well-

£8 1/2 million out of the £120 director of policy development;

informed

to separate deal at the Post By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

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rom tobacco firms. Benson and

Hedges alone provide sponsor-ship for angling, bowls, cricket, show jumping, golf, horse racing, tennis, snooker and power-boar racing.

Mr David Simpson, director of Action on Smoking and Health, said: "This is the first

time a major political party has

promised unequivocally to ban tobacco promotion when it gets

"It is a huge step forward and

might even belp force the

present Government to take this inevitable step. I do not

whatsoever on sport."
But Mr Tony St Aubyn. of

the Tobacco Advisory Council.

which represents tobacco manu-

facturers, said the ban would

not only harm sport, especially

amountd to a gross interference

in the rights of tobacco com-

panies to promote their prod-

and an awful lot of upset to the

market and there ore enormous

consequences to interfering with

There was no evidence to

show that advertising, as cur-

rently practised, increased the sale of cigarettes, encouraged

people to smoke or prevented

Tobacco companies provide

any market to this extent."

people from giving up.

It will cause consternation

activities, but

into government.

minority

By Barrie Clement Labour Reporter

Mr Harry Conroy, general secretary of the National Union

secretary of the National Union of Journalists, said yesterday he would be prepared to consider an agreement with News International for The London Post, separately from the production unions, although he thought such a deal unlikely.

He added that he did not believe the company would drop its unacceptable demand

drop its unacceptable demand for a legally-binding, no-strike pact. He told a 200-strong meeting of NUJ members on The Times and Sunday Times that the NUJ would also find it "very difficult" to accept a ban on the traditional print unions at the new plant in Wapping, east London.

The journalists' union would

The journalists' union would

however consider any deal

offered to it in consultation with other unions and the TUC,

Despite the passing of a Christmas deadline for a union

agreement to produce the new paper, the company has an-nounced that it is prepared to

meet the NUJ and the elec-tricians' union, but not the National Graphical Associ-

ation. Sogat or the Amalga-mated Union of Engineering

The NUJ leader added that

he believed The London Post to

be a "sham" and that the

company was not interested in publishing the new paper. News International wanted to

open the way for a revolutio-

nary change in union agree-

ments on the four existing

News International titles, The Times, The Sunday Times, The Sun and News of the World.

The plan was to switch some or

all of them to the Wapping.

However, company sources, said later that the Post was

scheduled to appear as origi-

nally announced and there was

plant, Mr Conroy said.

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

nolders of the rescue package together over the past 37 years", shocked by what has been Suggestions that Sikorsky happening. It is just internet happening to just internet happening in the political politi

glory, Mr Bill Paul, vice-president of Sikorsky's parent the possibility of Westland company, United Technologies of America, said yesterday during a visit to Westland plants at Ycovil and Weston-super-Mare.

On Monday he had spoken or the possibility of Westland contributing to the American "Star Wars": research programme. Yesterday a Westland spokesman donfirmed that the company had cancers with the American Last weekend he had negotiated with Westland improved
terms for the rescue package
which is being offered to the
company.

He denied that his visit was a These could be applied for "victory tour" following the structures to support high-pre-decision of the Westland board cision mirrors, which will be required to reflect high-powered to recommend the Sikorsky and Fiat offer to shareholders. Westland and Sikorsky had

laser and other beams in any space-based defence system. worked together for years and Asked while at Yeovil about people should trust us more the political contoversy which

workers, many of whom expressed support for the American rescue and also had discussions with trade union representatives. He had lunch with Members of Parliament closely concerned with Westland's future: Mr Paddy Ashdown (Liberal, Yeavil), Mr Weston-Super-Mare) and Mr

set West). Mr Paul, who was speaking before the terms of the improved European offer were known, was optimistic that Westland shareholders would than they trust anyone else surround Westland, Mr Paul accept the Sikorsky/First offer.

Jim Spicer (Conservative, Dor-

Nato careful to avoid taking sides

Nato does not want to aggravate Britain's difficult political position on the West-land helicopter deal, and is carefully avoiding favouring cither side. The interference yesterday by a European Commissioner is considered to

be reprehensible. Mr Rohm Beard, Nato's assistant secretary general dealing with arms cooperation projects called the statement by Herr Karl-Heinz Naries, the

EEC Commissioner for Industry, "highly irresponsible". Herr Narjes, although declar-ing that he did not want to interfere with matters in which "Nato had an active role", warned Westland against the United States offer by saying that Britain could be shut out of Inture European deals.

• Lord Cockfield, the senior

British EEC commmissioner in Brussels, yesterday denied that he had been consulted before Herr Narjes made his remarks. • Lawyers for Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, are to start libel proceedings against The Sun newspaper over yesterday's front page story on the West-

Mr Bill Panl, senior vice-president of United Technologies,

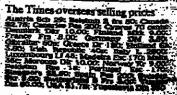
Shareholders facing a triple vote

meeting is crucial to Westland a survival. Sharebolders will be asked to vote on three resol-

The first proposes the capital reconstruction of the company by allowing it to increase its horrowing limits. If 50 per cent of shareholders reject this resolution the company will, be intable to horrow more reconstruction. unable to borrow more money and might have to go into receivership. Westland recently disclosed pre-tax losses of £95.5

work over five years.
The terms of the £14.2 nillion rights issue are spelled out for

shareholders with a subscrip-tion price of 60p. A 75 per cent majority vote is needed for these two resolutions to be carried and the Sikorsky-Fiat offer to be accepted.



SDP woos first TUC councillor

Mr John Lyons, general secretary of the Engineers' and Managers' Association, has become the first member of the TUC general council of join the Social Democratic Party.

A former Labour party member. Mr Lyons said last night that his decision was personal and private and would have no impact on either the union or his work within the

The association, which represents senior and middle management in energy and other public industries, is a nonpolitical body.

Correction

The estimate for Britain's 1984 heese production in our report on December 17 should have read 246 million kg. nortonnes.

the 12,000 electors in the Old Swan district of Liverpool face

an intense onslaught for their

The hy-election has been caused by the death in a car

crash of the sitting Labour councillor. In the midst of the

campaign by Mr Neil Kinnock

and the leadership of the Labour Party against Militant and its influence in the city, the

poli tomorrow has assumed a

national significance.
It is the first opportunity for

the voters in Liverpool to register their judgement on the

council since its leaders mort-

gaged the city to the bankers of Zurich when on the brink of

bankruptcy, and since the start

of the inquiry by Labour's National Executive Committee

into the affairs of the suspended

district party.

Labour councillors locally see

votes over the next 48 hours.

Strike halts **Dublin** ferry routes

encouraging sign.

to Britain were disrupted yesterday by strikes against a job-cutting plan to reorganize Irish Sea routes.

Sealink crossings between Dun Laoghaire, near Duhlin, and Hulyhead, in Anglesey, were halted nn Monday night hy a strike involving the National Union of Seamen.

Early yesterday a ferry operated by the Dublin-based B+I Line, from Dublin to Liverpool, was cancelled after protest oction by the Seamen's Union of Ireland. Several hours of talking failed to resolve the

B+1 services between Holy head and Dublin and Liverpoo and Duhlin as well as Sealink's Hulyhead - Duo Laoghaire route have been suspended nntil further notice, a Sealink spokesman said later.

to a general election than a Alliance regards success for Militant, while Mr George contest for a city council seat, itself as the people's rejection of Lloyd, a city councillor whose the 12,000 electors in the Old Militant and its tactics of brother Peter held the seat

Parry, aged 48, joint managing pool.

director of an engineering company and local secretary of

shead, a part-time lecturer, who sits as Labour councillor for Old

Swan on Merseyside County

national figures to bolster their message. Dr David Owen and Mr William Rodgers, for the Alliance and Mr Dennis Skin-

ner, Mr Eric Heffer and Mr Terry Fields, a local MP, for

Although they put it in different words, the two parties

Both camps have brought in

Council.

Change in legal code on interrogation urged

Legal codes of procedure possibly more serious, matters.
which prevent suspects in At the trial at the Central
criminal cases being further Criminal Court, the eight
questioned after they have been servicemen acquitted of espion-

interrogated the young service-men acquitted in the Cyprus secrets trial last October, said the change would acknowledge the importance of national security questions and allow investigators to continue to

interrogate suspects after they were charged. loted holding charge being brought against a suspect in order that he could be detained row and is expected to finish on for further questioning on other, Friday.

Council poll 'vital test of Militant policy'

Fram Peter Davenport, Liverpool

confrontation. before his death in Spain, says
Although there are four the main issue raised by voters

candidates, the hy-election is in is support for council policy not

reality a contest between the to cut jobs and services, and to Alliance Candidate. Mr Glyn bring more resources to Liver-

director of an engineering Over the weekend, according company and local secretary of to the Alliance, Militant the SDP, and Mrs Ann Hollin- brought in more than 100

agree on what has become the the last few days the issue has

In an atmosphere more akin Mr Kinnock. The SDP-Liberal influence and activities of of the organization and its

By Gregory Neale

charged should be redrafted to age charges said they had given exclude Official secrets cases, false confessions under the inquiry into the Cyprus spy strain of harsh interrogation. trial investigation was told vesterday.

The inquiry has also been told that some of those detained that some of those detained Mr Rohin Grey, QC, council were not informed of their for the RAF investigators who rights to terminate interviews during their questioning.

Mr Grey, who was giving his closing submission to the inquiry, said that the interrog-ators, members of the RAF Provosts and security services, had behaved with great care. "This was not a beastly team of interrogators. The investi-

Mr Grey said such a redraft-ing would make redundant the advice and kept superior officpractice of a "spurious", unreers constantly informed of oted holding charge being developments," he said. The inquiry resumes tomor-

For Mr Lloyd the message of

victory is clear: "It will he a vindication of the city council

and it will be saying to the High

Court that it is up to local

people to determine what their

"It will also be a message to

Mr Kinnock that he should

change his attack from the good

socialists of this city to the

Yesterday, the Alliance said

that its returns indicated it would achieve 44 per cent of the

vote with 40 per cent for Labour, which says its returns indicated it would receive

The remaining two candidates are Mr Alan Wilson, Conservative, and Mr Keith McCulloch, official Indepen-

dent Liberal. The polls close at

9pm and the result is expected about 90 minutes later.

something over 50 per cent.

councillors should do.

Government.

By Our Technology Correspondent

tronics company, has launched its first microcomputer with the aim of capturing 1 per cent of the market in the first year.

which will cost between £2,000 and £3,000, is an important departure for the company. Only about 25 per cent of Sony UK revenue comes from non-

A new network of 30 computer dealerships will spear-head the Sony marketing drive for the machine which comes in three models, a desk top microcomputer, a portable and a wordprocessor. This year 250,000 personal microcomputer systems are expected to be sold from all sources in the United Kingdom.

The Acorn/BBC partnership resterday launched a new BBC microcomputer which will be directed principally at the educational field or the lower end of the business market. IBM will soon follow suit with a model which is an advance on its successful Personal Computer (PC). The IBM newcomer s expected to set the pace in the

Cambridgeshire police cleared

The Police Complaints Authority has dismissed two complaints made by Mr Anthony Weston, aged 41, husband of Janice Weston, the solicitor found beaten to death by an unknown assailant, in a lay-by on the Al at Huntingdon, Camhridgeshire, in September

Mr Weston alleged that he was improperly treated during 55 hours in custody, and that intense media attention on the case was fuelled by Cambridge-shire police. The authority said yesterday that a thorough nvestigation could not substan-

Sony makes switch into computers

Sony, the Japanese elec-

Selling the husiness machine, geperal consumer products.

being served tea hy Mrs Lilian Young while touring

By Judith Hantley

Westland's shareholders will Prudential, which together own meet at the Connaught rooms in between 25 and 30 per cent of Central London on Tuesday to the company.

The January 14 extraordinary ing two million man bours of the contract of vote on whether the £74 million rescue package from Sikorsky-Fiat recommended by their board should be accepted. Although there are many

small shareholders, they control only about 20 per cent of the company. The most important and powerful voters are the 20 financial institutions which hold, directly or indirectly, close to 80 per cent of the ailing

the largest shareholder with nearly 10 per cent of the shares. It is closely followed by M & G Securities. United Scientific, Allied Unit Trust and the

Robert Fleming Nominees is

million for the year to September 30, 1985. The second and third resol-

central issue. Mr Richard Pine, the Liberals' deputy leader on narrowed solely to that of Militant. We are confident we a victory as justification of their hard-line stance, although it the city council, who is acting as are going to win and that will would be an embarrassment to Alliance agent, says it is the show just what the people think tiate the complaints.

supporters from London to campaign for Mrs Hollinshead. Mr Pine alleged that one woman displaying a Liberal poster in her window was told to remove it "or else" by two Militant converger.

Militant canvassers.

The by-election is the first to

be fought in Liverpool under a

concordat between the Liberals and SDP to end a period of discord in which they frequently

campaigned against each other.
Mr Pine said yesterday: "In

0 % rsh

Seventy gangs broken in anti-heroin and cocaine operations

Drugs seizures reach peak as traffickers focus on Britain

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

cocaine abuse.

American traffickers were

known to be interested in

Britain, there were quantities of

the drug in Europe, which could be launched at the United Kingdom

However, so far the market

seemed to be restricted by its

high price and cocaine had not

cocaine seizures is higher than

the total national figure for 1984, of 65kg. Scotland Yards' drug squad has a provisional figure of about 6kg for last year, making — with the Customs'

Seizures of heroin and co-caine show a continued high

on the streets, factors which normally indicate a steady

Mr Lawrence said that high

Freight was being used for

giving the drugs figures.

persuade motorists to use it as it views.

reduction on a £1.90 gallon of prices.

79kg - a total of 85kg.

of smugglers.

Customs investigators last Mr Lawrence said his departyear seized a record 348kg of ment had 262 officers working heroin and 79kg of cocaine in on drug problems, and concenoperations which broke 70 drug trating as much as possible on smuggling gangs, it was dis-narcotics.

closed yesterday. He added that cocaine was a
The figures, released by Mr matter for concern, but that he Richard Lawrence, chief investid not want to sensationalize tigations officer, are provisional the situation. There have been and show a rise of 11 per cent in forecasts in recent years from heroin and 125 per cent for the United States that Europe cocaine uncovered compared would see a sudden upsurge in with 1984.

The seizures mean that The American market for overall national figures for cocaine was thought to be Customs and police operations saturated and South American against dug dealers in 1985 will traffickers were looking to undouhtedly be the highest Europe, Mr Lawrence said recorded. Provisional figures for He added that several South Scotland Yard operations last year show 15kg of heroin seized. Taken with the Customs figure, the total exceeds the final figure of 360kg for 1984, even before full figures are compiled.

The size of the seizures by Customs officers last year show that Britain remains an important potential market for traf- yet appeared generally on the fickers despite intensified ef streets. forts by the Government and . The Customs figure for agencies against the problem.

Mr Lawrence emphasized that the seizures, worth an estimated £107 million in street sales, represented only part of the traffickers' attempts to import drugs. International cooperaton had prevented much heroin and cocaine reaching level of purity and a stable price

gators, operating with agencies market and considerable sup-in other countries, had helped plies.

in the capture of 163 kg of Mr Lawrence said that high in the capture of 163 kg of heroin, 21 kg of cocaine and 138 purity did not necessarily kg of cannabis last year. In one suggest a large supply. He are in Britain had led to the mrest of 22 people in Britain, he United States, the Netheral Religious and the growing resourcefulness ands and Pakistan.

A total of 68 people were nvestigated abroad. Operations large consignments and Cusncluded an investigation with toms investigators were studybe Royal Canadian Mounted ing methods, routes and profiles of the samugating operations. If 33 kg of heroin in Britain and Dover remained a frequently

6 io Canada.

Mr Lawrence said that he bis, for example, had been toped by the end of the year to imported on roll on/off ferries. ave eight officers working. Containers were used as well broad in key areas where drugs as hollowed out sections in re produced, including four in cargo or special areas in packing ne heroin "Golden Crescent" cases. Couriers still tried to ased on Pakistan. Another bring drugs into Britain confficer would work in the cealed inside their bodies. arihbean, two on cocaine roblems in Latin America, and me in the Middle East, where here are heroid and cannabis ources.

DRUGS SEIZURES

gures for 1985 are provisional; 1985 street rices assumed to be at same levels as 1984.

for liver

transplant dies

By Tim Jones

A South Wales valley com-

tunity was in mourning yester-

ay after receiving news of the eath in Pittsburgh, Penn-lvania, of Nicola Elmore,

sed 21 months, who had been ken to America in the hope of ceiving a life-saving liver

Nicola died in her father's

ms at the city's children's ospital, where she had been

aiting for a suitable organ to

She was taken to the United

tates by her unemployed ther. Mr Gary Elmore, aged

, and her mother, Sarah, aged

, from their home in Blaena-

on, Gwent.
A fund set up by a former

layor of Torfaen, Gwent, gave

ore than £90,000 towards the

160,000 cost of the operation, hich surgeons had agreed to erform after receiving a down

Another young Briton, David

ender, for whom £180,000 has

een raised, is also in the

nited States awaiting a similar

aymeot of £66,000.

peration.

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e donated since September.

ansplant.

Girl sent to US



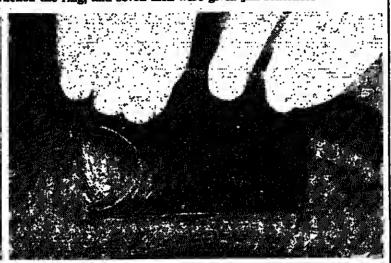
Britain from Bombay; three Britons, an Indian and a Pakistani were jailed for a total of 27 years last February.



A case used for smuggling heroin to One of the lorries in which a gang brought 1,553 kg of cannabis worth £3.8 million from the Netherlands to Britain, concealed behind false bulkheads in trailers. The gang used a motorway service area as the main distributing point. Operation Chessman cracked the ring, and seven men were given jail sentences



The office of the organizer of a cannabis smuggling



Cocaine concealed inside a car tyre and smuggled through Dover ring, where the drug was found behind a false partition. The man, who was given a jail sentence of eight-years, had £200,000 in cash when arrested. was found when a Customs officer noticed that one wheel was clean and the others muddy. Two Yugoslavs were sentenced to 10 and 8 years in jail last April. More than 1.5 kg of the drug was found. was found when a Customs officer noticed that one wheel was clean

English pair sought over Greek death

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of an English couple wanted after the killing of a man in Greece las summer, an inquest was told

yesterday.
The inquest, at Newcastle upon-Tyne, was resumed into Henderson, aged 28, who was found naked and with his hands tied near the shore of Lake Kastorias, Greece on July 11.

Named on the warrants, issued by the Greek police, are Philip Portington, aged 35, born in Sandiacre, Derbyshire, and Beverly Gadd, aged about 26, from Nottinghamshire. They are currently believed to be somewhere in southern Europe DOYS two.

The warrants are for the arrest of the couple for "intentional manslaughter with malice", and for carrying and using

weapons.

The couple allegedly using false names and passports, and the children crossed the Yugos lavia border hours before the discovery of the body of Mr Henderson, of Trevelyan Court Longbenton, Newcastle.

Mr Patrick Cuff, the cornon Mr Lawrence yesterday er, adjourned the inquest until April 3.

Cut duty on lead-free

petrol, car agents say

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

ing a 16p-a-gallon cut in excise companies, car manufacturers,

duty on lead-free petrol to and the garage trade for their

is progressively introduced to The car-makers appear to be Britain's petrol stations over the next three years.

The Motor Agents' Association has told Mr William and Traders has told the Waldegrave, Minister for Endowners, that without such a two fuels to be sold at the same

reduction on a £1.90 gauou or petrol, motorists would continue to buy their usual petrol lead-free petrol would encourright up to the EEC deadline of age drivers to use the wrong fuel for their car and that would lead for their car and that would lead for their car and that would lead

October 1, 1989. for their car and that would lead The European Commission's to a big increase in mechanical

directive requires member breakdowns, the society said.

committees to make lean-free "15" fan Berwick, of the petrol available "on a wide Petroleum industries Associbasis" by that date. New cars ation, said: "Within the pext 18

with engines of more than two months there will be a large litres will then have to use lead-number of cars on our roads

free only. Smaller cars will capable of running on lead-free make the switch in 1991, or petrol.

1993, depending on engine size. We would the to see the

It has been legal to sell Government prepare the way

unleaded petrol in Britain since by encouraging the sale of the new year but no petrol company has made it commercially available yet.

by encouraging the sale of unleaded petrol?

Most-of the cars on sale in Britain capable of running on

The government wants to lead-free petrol are Japanese of

introduce lead-free petrol this West German

The Governmet is consider- year and has asked the petrol

Thatcher leads crime fight

By Peter Evans, Hnme Affairs Correspondent

The aim of the seminar, to be into Parliament shows."

will be to curb car, home and workplace crime and violence. Mrs Thatcher said yesterday her intention was to make life more difficult for burglars and likely to pay. to increase community resist-

it was needed. The Govern-hood watch schemes, with ment has strengthened our about 7,700 already in oper-police forces and given them its ation. The other is hy building full backing. We have also more anti-theft and anti-hur-

A crime preventioa initiative

which will provide up to 600

jobs was launched yesterday in

the North-east, where one in five of the workforce is

The chief constables of

Northumbria, Durham and

Cleveland have joined forces

with the Manpower Services Commission (MSC) to promote

vandal patrols and victim

Mr Derek England, MSC

regional employment manager.

said that he hoped the scheme

wanted provide full and part-

time jobs for long-term unem-ployed people, while also giving a service to the community. It

would be funded through the

Among 18 projects under

way in the North-east are a victim support scheme in North

Shields and Whitley Bay, where employees are paid

commission's community pro-

unemplnyed.

Crime prevention move

to provide 600 jobs

By Rupert Morris

Mrs Margaret Thatcher takes toughened up the law and the glary measures into products ne lead today at an unpre-criminal justice system. We and buildings, Mrs Thatcher the lead today at an unpre-cedented Downing Street sem-inar to intensify the drive is required as the public order Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home legislation recently introduced Secretary, said on BBC radio yesterday that one of the themes

attended by government, police, But she said the Govern-industry and commerce leaders, ment, the courts and the forces ment, the courts and the forces of law and order also needed the support and close collaboration of the community in making crime more difficult and less

The Government's initiative will take two main forms. One ance to crime.

She said the Government was is the encouragement of comready to provide more action if munity action, like neighbour-

union rates to provide practical

help to 100 crime victims a

month, and a scheme in Gateshead, sponsored by Age Concern, which provides locks

for the doors and windows of

and vandal patrols, where

employees are put on watch in

areas unted for vandalism, and

are able to contact the police hy two-way radio. Experience so

far suggests that their presence

Security patrols at five schools in North Tyneside had

led to an annual burglary rate

Community leaders and local

oluntary organizations, includ-

the Care and Resettlement

ing the National Association

of Offeoders, are being con-sulted on new crime prevention

nid and disabled people. Other schemes operating include neighbourhood watch

effect, the MSC says.

of 14 being cut to two.

He said a lot of money had beco spent io the wrong way in the past. Estates like Broadwater Farm, in Tottenham,

North London had caused much trouble. The Government had to look at the money being spent to see if it was being properly targetted for improvements money would come from a partnership between central and local government. The urban aid programme was doing much, and the rate support grant was available to local government to use according to its priorities.

at the seminar would be

examining how to prevent

crime now rife on many inner

Mr Hurd said an example of what could be done was on the Pepys estate Sonth London,

where, most categories of crime

had been almost halved. Mod-

est re-design, community in-volvement and more police had

helped reduce hurglary and

city housing estates,

In a radio phone-in, Mr Hurd also defended his decision to allow police forces to stock plastic hullets. He said it was "quite unreal" to tell forces caught up in incidents like the Tottenham riots that they could not have the equipment needed to protect themselves.

Mr Hurd said that plastic bullets had on balance, proved their worth in saving lives in Ulster, although he conceded that they had produced individual tragedies. "I don't want to see them used this side of the water. I think they should be used only as a last resort", he

Parkinson heads trust giving aid to addicts

By Stephen Goodwin Mr Cecil Parkinson, the

former Cabinet Minister, has become chairman of a trust owning Chemical Dependency Centre Ltd, which aims to help former drug addicts to get back into society.

The centre was set up last May and acts as a halfway house for people who have undergone treatment for drug addiction. It operates as an independent unit within St Mary Abbots Hospital Kensington, west London.

Mr Parkinson lists his in volvement with the charity in the Commons Register of Interests. Members' though it is an unpaid activity.

"We are trying to help people ment, come out and are getting back int the full swing of life hut may need a bit more help in the initial period," he told The

Times.
"One of the problems is that very often the only place such people can go is back where they came from."

Mr Parkinson and his fellow trustees have secured several pledges of financial support ready for when a suitable building is found. Mr Tristan Millington-Drake,

the centre's counsellor, said that once premises had been found, Department of Health and Social Security funding would

 Mr Parkinson is not to face prosecution for any alleged breach of the Official Secrets Act, the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions said yesterday (Stewart Tendler writes).

Scotland Yard detectives inquired into a possible breach after extracts of a book by Miss Sara Keays, Mr Parkinson's

information from within the Cabinet during the Falklands conflic

The DPP's office said: "There is no evidence available which could support prosecution."

New call to cut 'drink drive' limit

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

Another call for tougher government action on drinking and driving offenders, and changes in national policies on alcohol, was made at a meeting of doctors, health and social workers last night.

Sir Joho Garlick, chairman of charity concerned with alcohol ahuse, said he supported the proposals of chief constables that the legal limit for drinking and driving should be reduced by as much as half the current permitted alcohol level.

"The Government needs to have the courage of the chief constables' convictions," Sir John said at the opening of the charity's annual forum, in Durham.

He said that the Governmen should adopt stricter attitudes towards anti-social behaviour by drinkers and should provide more help for victims of alcohol

Sir John's comments come after a decision last week by the Association of Chief Police Officers to discuss proposals tn reduce permitted alcohol levels later this month.

Convictions for drinking and driving have increased by 57 per cent in 10 years, and 1,400 people a year are killed in alcohol-related road accidents. Sir John said.

Recording piracy

Two crew injured in Phanton jet crash

The police sealed off a remote valley in the snow-covered Yorkshire Dales yesterday after an RAF Phantom jet crashed while oo a low-flying exercise.

The two crew, from RAF Coningshy, Lincolnshire, were taken by RAF helicopter to the Duchess of Keot Military Hospital, Catterick, North Yorkshire, after the crash at Walden Heath, fives miles south of West Burton, Wensleydale.

Both men ejected seconds before the aircraft, ooe of a flight of four, crashed in good visibility on a fell one mile from the nearest road.

The navigator suffered two broken legs, head and back injuries and his condition was said to be serious but not critical. The pilot was comfortable with a broken arm and leg. The police immediately set

up a road block and allowed nn access to the sparsely populated Walden Valley for several hours until an RAF team had secured the wreckage.

Villagers said that they were startled by a low-flying jet seconds before an explosion was heard. "We thought it was very low and there was a thud and smnke rose", Mrs Mary Hartle, the West Burton village butcher,

The crash renewed concern at the increasing volume of low-flying military aircraft in the area. Six years ago a United States Air Force Phantom crashed at Lealholm, on the North Yorkshire mnnrs, North Yorkshire mnnrs, narrowing missing a school. In October, a West German

F1-11 crashed after hitting trees in Northumberland, shortly after an RAF submission reported that some pilots were not sticking to minimum ground clearance

former secretary, were published in The Mirror. In the book, A Question of Judgement, Miss Keays said that Mr Parkinson told her of information from within the control of the control of

Edward Crozier, aged 35, of Lawrie Park Road, Sydenham, south-east London, was sent for trial at the Central Criminal Court on bail of £2,000 hy magistrates at Mariborough Street yesterday, accused of trying to blackmail Mr Eric Morley, husband of the Miss

World organizer.
Mr Crozier, a nephew of Mrs
Julia Morley and a former
personal assistant to the Morleys, was charged with demanding £20,000 with menaces on or before June 1 last year.

Historic ferry owner fined

Alan Pearsoo, aged 42, the operator of a hand-hauled ferry on the Wye from his hotel at Symonds Yat East, Hereford and Worcester, was fined £400 hy Worcester Crown Court yesterday for running an unsafe

The four-day case had heard how the ferry - the service was set up by royal decree in medieval times - broke from its guide rope in November 1984 and drifted towards rapids with a party of frightened schoolboys on board.

Rugby death

Richard Cross, aged 28, the London Irish rughy full back who broke his neck while playing in a junior match against London Scottish on Saturday, died at Stoke Mandeville Hospital, in Buckinghamshire, on Monday night.

Wilson TV role

Lord Wilsoo of Rievaulx is to appear in a six-part Anglia Television drama series, Inside Story: being recorded next mooth, about a Fleet Street newspaper. He plays himself as Prime Minister.

Seaside holiday campaign

By Sheila Beardall New leisure complexes offering indoor entertainment, and

better facilities for families with young children are among attractions which, it is hoped, will draw British holdiaymakers back to the seaside the summer. Domestic holiday operators have been struggling after last year's wet summer and the cutrice war between firms selling

The English Tourist Board launched its campaign yester-day with the publication of a guide, England's Seaside 1986, and details of a survey which showed that 170 million nights

The guide has details of more than 300 hotels and guest houses which have promised to welcome families with young children, and offer services including flexible meal times

new indoor centres at Blackpool, Bournemouth, Felixstowe, Southsea and Weston-super-Mare. HOME TOURISM

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Disease 'returned' to kill 29

By Craig Seton

disease, which killed 29 people at the Stafford District General Hospital last year, had been found six months' earlier in the £25 million hospital's cooling system and treated, it was revealed vesterday at a recon-vened public inquiry

It had been previously stated that the strain of the disease found in the cooling system in November 1984, and treated with chlorine, was different from that responsible for the epidemic in April and May last year, during which 175 people were treated for severe chest infections in what was then regarded as the world's worst outbreak of the disease.

The hospital's cooling sys-tem has been held responsible for spreading the disease and causing the epidemic, and Sir John Badenock, the chairman of the inquiry, said yesterday that the new evidence meant that the inquiry team would have to rewrite parts of its report

days last year, was reconvened tn hear new evidence about the nutbreak. Mr Philip Havers, Treasury Counsel, said yesterday that it had now been discovered that the two strains of the disease which had been found at the hospital, were, in

Cabinet to battle over tape levy By Richard Evans A ministerial difference of opinion over plans to impose a levy on blank audio tapes is to

be thrashed out at a Cabinet committee chaired by the Prime Minister. The outcome is crucial to the final shape of a White Paper nn copyright reform scheduled to be puhished by the end of this

month, and could have farreaching implications in the battle being waged on many industries against counterfeit goods and international piracy, especially involving Far Eastern countries. An estimated 16 million people in Britain hreak the copyright laws every year by recording music on to hlank tapes at home, costing copyrigh: owners - from song composers

to record companies - abut £67 million in lost royalties. Fehruary, when Mr Norman Tehhit was Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, sughome taping of copyright

material. But Mr Leon Brittan, sucdepartment is against the levy, believing it would operate against the consumer and be seeo as a new tax affecting mainly young voters from a government committed to cutting taxes.



Mr John Deacon, director general of the British Phonographic Industry.

His view does not have the wholehearted support of departmental colleagues hut it is supported by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, There is no question A green Paper published last of a levy being introduced for hlank video tanes.

Mr Tehhit's support for a hlank audio tape levy is gested imposing a levy of about understood to be shared by Sir 10p on hlank audio tapes to Geoffrey Howe, The Foreign compensate for unauthorized Secretary.

The pro-levy camp within the Government insists the whole area of intellectual property cessor to Mr Tehbit at the rights, rather than the narrow issue of unauthorized home taping, is at stake.

The Publishers' Association. which loses an estimated £100 international piracy, is particularly worried by the inter- originators in other industries".

imposed. "It will show that the Briush Government is unwilling to do something about illicit copying." Mr Clive Bradley, the association's chief executive. said last night.
Mr John Deacon, director general of the British Phono-

graphic industry, believes that legalizing unauthorized home taping without remuneration to copyright owners would be very damaging to the record industry and tilt the balance of copyright protection "into the pockets of the Japanese and other foreignowned machine and blank tape importers.
"It would also be an extra-

ordinary decision when one considers that less than a year ago the Government's Green Paper said that to legalize private copying of music 'would strike at the roots of the principle of copyright and would amount to encouraging the use of one person's property by another without compensation'.

Most of Britain's EEC partners impose, or are about to impose, a levy on tapes. Mr Deacon added: "To legalize private copying without a levy on tapes must inevitably have a knock-on effect, not only as a potentially inviting signal to large-scale pirates and counterfeiters, hut also to those who have now, or may in the future, million in lost sales because of acquire means to abuse copyright and patents held by nther

Glasgow bans goldfish as fair prizes By a Staff Reporter

cially available yet.

reathe more easily today, cure in the knowledge that ney can no longer legally be iven away in polythene bags s fairground prizes.

After protests from animal ights groups, who are contact-ig all local authorities on the oldfishes' behalf, Glasgow 'ity Council decided yesterday nat licences for city showrounds would no longer allow

Mr Matthew Adams, chairun of the city's licensing summittee, said: "People get oldfish in plastic bags, and ften they den't really want hem. By the time the poor fish

the waltzers, and been jogged about on the dodgems, they don't know what is happening. The chances are that the bag

will burst before it gets home."

The Scottish branch of the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain wrote to the council pointing out that a resolution had been passed by the guild in 1958 providing for no goldfish to be given away in a bag of less than 4 1/2 ins diameter, and for every prizewinner to be given an RSPCA pamphlet explain-ing how the goldfish should be looked after.

But the guild's request to put fairgrounds.

Glaswegian goldfish can have had a couple of turns on its case to the counicl was

Mr Ronald Mochrie, sec-retary of the Glasgow and West of Scotland Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, welcomed the council'a decision as , "a great step forward". He hoped other city councils would follow suit. The chief pioneer in the field

of piscine rights, however, is the Greater London Council. In November 1983 Mr Ken Livingstone, GLC leader and champion of oppressed min-orities, persuaded the council's arts and recreation committee to han the sale of goldfish at

holdiays abroad. were spent on holiday at the British seaside in 1984.

and suitable accommodation. The board is also promoting

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How a

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Cairo - The body of Sergeant

Khater, an Egyptian border policeman convicted of murder-

ing seven Israeli tourists, was

found hanging from his bedding

attached to the window of his room in a prison hospital yesterday (Alice Brinton writes).

The official Middle East

News Agency said the authorines were investigating when

He was convicted on Decem-

ber 28 and sentenced to life

imprisonment with hard labour,

for having killed four Israeli

children, two women and a man

at his border crossing in the

sinai on October 5. The agency said Sergeant Khater was in the military hospital for the treat-ment of a parasitic disease common in rural Egypt.

Fifth delay hits

Washington - The launch of

the space shuttle Columbia was

again postponed yesterday for at least two days because of bad weather at the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida and at emergency landing sites in Senegal and Spain (Mohsin Ali

It was the fifth delay in three

PARIS: The first flight of a

European Ariane satellite laun-

cher since a spectacular failure

last September has been post-

poned for five days for technical

Drugs scandal rocks Mauritius

Port Louis, Mauritius (AP) -

For Louis, Mainthus (AP) –
Four ministers – foreign, social
security, industry and commerce – have resigned from the
Government of the Prime
Minister, Mr Aneerood Jugnauth, after MPs were arrested

in Amsterdam in late December

allegedly trying to smuggle drugs into The Netherlands. Residents of the Indian

Ocean island nation reached by

telex said the resignations were not seen as admissions of guilt

but protests over the embarrass-

Boston (AP) - Police acting on a telephoned bomb threat found a "device" in a rubbish bin at Boston Garden, an bour

before the Jewish Defence

League were to demonstrate

ment caused by the scandal.

Bomb threat

reasons (Reuter reports).

shuttle launch

and how Sergeant Khater died.

European opposition rises as Reagan imposes sanctions against Libya

Despite dislike for the Gadaffi regime, there was widespread unease in European capitals yesterday over impending American sanctions against Libya. Opposition was mounting to any attempt by Washington to persuade its European allies to join in moves against Tripoli, even if refusal meant strain within the Western alliance.

The issue will provide the first test case of new plans for a joint European foreign policy agreed at Luxembourg last

Greece, voicing the strongest opposition to sanctions, called for a urgent meeting of the EEC foreign policy committee to discuss the question. Co-ordination of foreign policy was a key result of the recent EEC summit, which set up a new foreign policy (Political co-operation) secretariat. But a spokesman for the European Com-mission said there were no plans at present for an emer-

gency meeting.

After talks in Paris. M
Roland Dumas, the French
Foreign Minister, and Henr
Hans-Dietrich Genscher, his
West German counterpart, both
expressed reservations about the wisdom of sanctions.

M Dumas said France con-demned all forms of terrorism, but added that where a country had participated in terrorist actions, the rules of international law should be applied. There was behind-the-scenes criticism in most European Gratz, the Austrian Foreign governments of the way in Minister, said there was so far

Tel Aviv (Renter, AP)
Israel's Prime Minister, Mr
Shimon Peres, strongly attacked the Libyan leader
Colonel Gadaffi again yesterday but said there was no need

Speaking in the central town of Nes Ziona, Mr Peres called Colonel Gadaffi "a clown, a murderer and a liar" and urged

the non-communist world to retaliate for last month's

guerrilla attacks at Rome and Vienna airports in which 19

people died.
"There is no need to declare war against Libya. It would be enough just to impose economic and legal sanctions," he said.

The Prime Minister said the Abn Nidal Palestinian guerrilla

group, which has been linked

with the airport attacks, was based in Libya. Colone! Gadaffi had spent millions of

training for terrorists, he

Mr Peres complained that

Islamic

support

threatened by Israel.

to ge to war against Libya.

analysts point out. Libyan imports from the US

last year were estimated at close to \$200 million compared with 524 million dollars in

1981.
Comparable 1981 figures for European countries – the latest available – included \$2.5 billion from Italy, \$882 million from West Germany, \$582 million from Britain and \$526 million from France. Japan's trade that year was \$640 million.

which the US had staged naval manoeuvres, coupled with alarm at any sort of military

intervention.
Officials in Italy, which together with Anstria was hit by terrorist action at airports last month, said the struggle against terrorism had to be strengthened. If Libyan involvement in terrorism was proved. Italy would have to reconsider its relations with Tripoli. But the Italian Government was opposed to represals.

Austria, which is not a member of the EEC, said it would react "antonomously" if any state was shown to have been behind the attack on Vienna airport. Herr Leopold

refusing for economic reasons to support US-led efforts to

and to assure that no terrorist

backlash because of this." No need for war with Gadaffi, Peres says

of Europe.
On the case of Libya, a spokesman for the Foreign Office in London said the British position remained that impose sanctions against Libya. There is no need to be afraid of his words or guns. What is required is to assert international pressure on Libya

enjoys immunity," he said. The United States, which has also accused Colonel Gadaffi of sheltering the Abu siege in London. In Athens, Mr Karoios Papoulias, the Foreign Minis-Nidal group, was expected to launch a new economic offen-

sive against Tripoli to try to rally world condemnation of the Libyan leader. But Western diplomats be-lieve collective economic and political pressure is unlikely, given the high economic stakes of some West European countries in Libya.

Mr Peres told the Associated Press in response to a question

Tripoli (Renter) Enceatened was to blame.

Commit Sanction against The cynical view is that Libya are stalikely to have the case of Libya has its roots partly in economic self-tribe endargo, smalysts say.

Libya amount to £5.5 billion, Some other Western nations with exports to Libya at nearly did several times more trade £3 billion. Libyan oil accounts with Libya moint out. for most of the imbalance.

Britain is something of an exception, with imports at £200 million and exports to Libya at £260 million. But Libya is West Germany's most important

Arab oil supplier.

The fall in world oil prices has reduced Libya's economic clour in Western Europe, including Italy, and Colonel Gadaffi, the Libyan leader, is if anything held in even less regard than ever after the Rome and Vienna attacks, which Tripoli failed to condemn. Yet economie and other ties remain

There are sizeable European communities in Tripoli connected with the oil industry, including 5,000 Britons, up to 2,000 West Germans, and between 13,000 and 15,000 Italians Italians.

Italy has particultly close links with Libys, partly for historical reasons, and Colonel Gadaffi's regime has invested in Italian companies. Italy has shown a distinct political tilt toward the Arab

world, as has Greece.
Spain is on the point of establishing relations with Israel, and already fears an Arab

not necessarily opposed to sanctions. In September the EEC agreed on limited sanctions against South Africa, with Prance leading the way. Britain at first reserved its position, but then fell into step with the rest of Europe.

sanctions were none the less not particularly effective and did not have a good track record. Britain had in any case already taken the ultimate sanction by breaking off diplomatic ties with Libya after the Libyan embassy

ter, said Greece was profoundly disturbed by the new tension in the Mediterranean area, and Greece would refuse to join in

any economie sanctions. Switzerland, like Austria a non-EEC member, said it too would maintain its traditional stand by refusing to join in any concerted European action: i buys half its oil from Libya. Outside Europe, Japan îs also

opposed to sanctions, even though it has little to lose in the that "there was no pressure, case of Libya since, unlike absolutely none" from the Western Europe, Tokyo im-United States on Israel to ports not oil from Tripoli and retaliate for the European has relatively low levels of trade with Libya.

Tripoli wins Italians urge closer anti-terrorist links

From John Earle

Fez, Morocco, (AFP). Foreign ministers of the Islamie
Conference Organization yesterday agreed to back a Libyan Signor Luigi Scalfaro, the Italian Interior Minister, will leave later this week on a tour request for support in the face. of European capitals, including of what Tripoli says is a US-Israeli threat of aggression.

But the Libyan proposal was terrorism, a ministry spokeswatered down after a swingeing man said here yesterday.

attack on Libya by the Iraqi He will again propose a Foreign Minister, Mr Tareq permanent anti-terrorist sec-

retariat. The Italians were disappointed at what they Aziz.
The conference spokesman, disappointed at what they considered the lukewarm reactions of the conference spokesman, disappointed at what they considered the lukewarm reactions of the conference of the conf can Foreign Minister, said the tion of several European coun-organization's statement of tries, including Britain, when support, to be drafted by the conference presidency, would conference presidency, would proposal at a meeting here of apply to all member states interior ministers last year. The threatened by Israel.

Mr Azia, whose attack on urgent after the recent PalestiLibya was read to the press man terrorist attacks at Rome during yesterday's session, said Libya "should learn its lesson". and Vienna airports.

Greater efforts against terrorfrom the threat it now faced. In ism, both nationally and inter-an apparent reference to Egypt, nationally, was one of three Chad, Tunisia and Sudan, Mr conclusions reached at a meet-Aziz declared: "Libya continues ing of ministers and security to threaten neighbouring Islamic countries as well as other countries further afield."

Signor Bettino Craxi, the Prime Minister. The others were that Chadian sources said they military reprisals by any counwould not seek specific condemnation of Libyan occupanon of the north of their onntry, to be reviewed if hard evidence the Libyan Foreign Minister, emerged of that country's

Mr Ali Treiki, who emerged involvement from the session to repeat Following from the session to repeat Following the attacks, the denials that Tripoli was behind Cabinet drafted a Bill tightening the Rome and Vienna airport regulations for the entry and attacks, also denied that Libya residence of foreigners. A first



Sabri el-Banna, alias Ahu Nidal: a 1978 photograph

arrived in Genoa on a weekly ferry from Tunis. They were said either to have passport irregularities or to be without apparent financial means of support:

Police here arrested five young Arabs yesterday, two Syrians, an Egyptian, a Suda-nese and a Moroccan - for allegedly setting fire to a Muslim cultural centre in a

● BONN: Herr Jürgen Mülle-mann, the West German Deputy Foreign Minister, yes-terday called for the creation of internatiol anti-terrorist force following last month's had ever attacked any Arab or result has been the refusal to attacks on Vienna and Rome Islamic country.

admit 44 North Africans who airports (Reuter reports.

as warning the milon not to push the Government too far. Mr Thondaman is at present in

that workers must report for work before 1 pm. The union has now announced that the prayers will be extended to a

connected with the theft of an

sence which a British court The talks focused mainly on imposed on Major Mohammed economie questions, although Yusufu for the part he played in

Anti-nuclear camp cleared with chainsaws



Riot police with chain-saws Victimization fear as hulidozed their way into a protest camp in dense Bavaprotest camp in dense Bava-rian forest yesterday and hauled out protesters before demolishing log huts block-ing work on West Ger-many's first nuclear repro-cessing plant at Wackers-dorf (Reuter reports). black schools reopen From Ray Kennedy Johanneshurg Black schools in South Africa

Police said 2,000 men. were involved in the operation to evict about 1,500 anti-nuclear demonstrators from the site and flatten their "village" of 158 cabins and tents so that tree-felling are due to reopen today at the start of the new academic year but the prospect of proper attendance faded yesterday when the Government rejected a plea to defer the re-opening for three weeks. could resume.

A hard core of about 500 activists retreated into a tight circle as ranks of police moved steadily forward, slicing up log-cabins, tree huts and crude log watch-towers with their chain-saws in the freezing

Philadelphia survivor hits at police

From Trevor Fishlock New York

One of the two survivors of the house in Philadelphia besieged and hombed by the police last May has gone on trial and has hit back at police. "It seems to me that every charge against me fits the police," Miss Ramona Johnson Africa said. "They fired 10,000 shots, set the house on fire where me and my family were, and killed my brothers and sisters.

Miss Africa, aged 30, is a member of the nihilist group Move. Last May the police fought a gun battle with Move members who had barricaded themselves in a fortified house in a residential part of Phila-

In a controversial action, the police bombed the house from a helicopter. Eleven people in the house were killed and 61 homes in the neighbourhood were destroyed in the fierce fire started by the bomb.

Miss Africa - all Move members adopt the name
Africa – and a boy aged 13
were the only people known to
have escaped the house. Jury selection for her trial

began yesterday. In a pretrial statement she said the charges should be dismissed. She, is accused of conspiracy, riot, assanlt and recklessly endangering people. She says she wants to defend berself

six-man US congressional permission to visit Nelson Mandela, the African National Congress Leader, who is in

Foreign Minister yesterday and

is due to have talks with President P W Butha, the Rev

Allan Boesak, patron of the United Democratic Front, and

Chief Mangasuthu Buthelezi,

Chief Minister of the KwaZuln

homeland among other leaders.

Shoot-out: A suspected Afri-

can National Congress member

has been killed in an exchange

according to a statement by

police beadquarters in Pretoria yesterday.

prison near Capetown.

The delegation of five Democrats and one Republican is led

by Mr William Gray (Demo-crat - Pennsylvania) who initiated the Anti-Apartheid Act of 1985 which was stalled in the Senate but which forced The plea was made by the Soweto Parents' Crisis Committee which at a conference here 10 days ago attended by representatives from 160 black President Reagan to increase pressure on South Africa. organizations throughout the A prisons service spokesman country won support for a conditional end to the black declined in say why the application to see Mandela was schools boycott in some parts of the country, the boycott has been going on for nearly three The delegation, which arrived in South Africa on a factfinding visit on Monday, met Mr Roelof (Pik) Botha, the

A spokesman for the committee said yesterday. Those children who go back to school tomorrow face being victimized by those who do not return. The victimization of pupils will be a very real problem."

The committee set January

28 as a return date because, it said, this would enable it to spread its message throughout the country and would also give the authorities time to arrange for classes to be held in for classes to be held in temporary premises, such as eburch ifalls and tents, to replace schools destroyed or damaged during months of townships unrest.

Mr Sam de Beer, Deputy Minister of Education, said yesterday that it was of "vital interactions" that colored the second seco

importance" that schools re-open on schedule so that all the available school time in 1986 advantage. He added that although

pupils were required to register within 10 days of the official reopening date the Education Department would "exercise flexibility" for those who enrolled later.

. At its conference the Soweto committee resolved to call an end to the school boycott but gave the Government until the end of March to meet a list of demands. These included the lifting of

the state of emergency and the withdrawal of troops from townships, free school books and tuition, the release of detained student leaders and the ban on the Council of South African Students. The Right Rev Desmond

Tutu, Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, said if the demands were not met blacks throughout the country should "down tools."

Tea workers demand half-day of prayer

From Vijitha Yapa, Colombo

Disruption seems imminent in Sri Lanka's plantations in the hill country with the decision of a leading trade union group to hold half-day prayer sessions for peace beginning on January 14 for three months.

Nearly 400,000 tea plan-tation workers belonging to the Ceylon Workers Congress say they want to pray for half a day but also want a full day's pay. Two government corporations managing 90 per cent of the plantations have announced that only half a day's pay will be given and have stipulated that full day, unless the half day offer is replaced with a full day's pay.

The matter is complicated as the head of the union is Mr S. Thondaman, a Tamil who is the Minister of the Rural Industry in President Jayewar-dene's Cabinet. The majority of

the union's members are Tamils of Indian origin, who have not so far been involved in the troubles involving Tamils Senior cabinet ministers have been quoted by the press Delhi and is expected to meet the Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, this week to brief him on the Sri Lanks situation.

fell 17.5pc last year From Jonathan Braude, Brussels British farmers took a 17.5 surpluses amounts to £800

per cent cut in their income in million per year. 1985, worse than any other The most startling figure is country in the EEC, according the sudden increase in grain

cent, but family farmers did stocks rose from 503,000 tonnes substantially worse, with a fall to \$00,000 tonnes, while butter of 12 per cent.

was blamed by the European Commission on bad weather in the British Isles and other parts of Europe, followed a small rise in 1984 when weather conditions were particularly Madrid (Reuter) favourable.

month a proposed £1.7 billion loan from the International Monetary Fund.

Professor Akinyemi, who was appointed to his post soon after appointed to his post soon after last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last August's coup, said Nigeria and last August's coup, said Nigeria. Mr Kenneth Clark, who were last last August's coup, said Nigeria and last August's coup, said Nigeria and last August's coup, said Nigeria and last August's coup. The possibility of Major Tuster and agricultural markets released this week, the total value of surplus produce ageing in stores in the community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and interest payments on these last August's coup. A state-run full of this week, the total value of surplus produce ageing in stores in the community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and in the Louvre will be inaugurated in the community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and interest payments on these last August's released this week, the total value of surplus produce ageing in stores in the community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and in the Louvre will be inaugurated in the Community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and interest payments on the community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and interest payments on the community is £5.4 billion. The cost of storage and interest payments are community in the community of Major Tuster and this week, the total value of surplus agricultural markets released this week, the total value of surplus agricultural markets released this wee

Dismissed miners bused out

From Our Correspondent Johannesburg

Thousands of the 20,000 black miners sacked at the Impala platinum mines in Bophuthatswana, the second biggest producer of platinum group metals in the West, were loaded on to buses yesterday and driven away from the mine compounds.

The ruthluss action by Gencor in dismissing 80 per cent of its workforce because of a strike that began on New Year's Day over pay and work-related issues, brought an immediate reaction from international platinum markets. In London the metal was traded at \$357.50 an ounce, more than \$19 higher than before Monday's dismissals.

South Africa accounts for 76 per cent of the world's output of platinum - most of the rest is produced in the Soviet Union and any long-term disruption at Impala, which produces some 45 per cent of the South African volume, will undoubtedly affect world supplies Afrikaner-dominated Genco

was adamant yesterday that it would not re-employ those of fire with security police near the coastal city of East London, About About 65 per cent of the

sacked miners are believed to be of Bophuthatswana, one of the black homelands that opted for A large quantity of Sovietmade arms was seized when the
security policemen stopped a
vehicle an a source road The vehicle on a country road. The said Impala could easily recruit driver threw a hand grenade at a new labour force because of

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them and fled into the bush as the high unemployment rate in

body was found after a search of Chamber of Mines recruiting the area.

Chamber of Mines recruiting body, had 400,000 applicants

the policemen opened fire. His Bophuthatswana. Teba,

against a bockey game there between Boston Bruins and Moscow Dynamos. Rebels kill 46

Rangoon (Reuter) - Karen separatist rebels killed 46 people and wounded 136 others in an east Burma, the official Burmese News Agency said. It gave no further details.

Divorcee fired

Brussels (Reuterl - Belgium's supreme court, the Council of State, has upheld the sacking of a religion teacher because she divorced amd remarried in a civil ceremony, the Education Ministry said.

Dam disaster

Peking (AP) - Thirty police-men helping construction workers were among 48 people killed in a cave-in at the site of a power station dam being built in southern China's Guangxi

Winery sold

Los Gatos, California (AP) -The Jesuit order's Novinate Winery, which produced a wine billed as "devilishly good", has been taken over hy a wine company after nearly a century

Tunisia change

Tunis (Reuter) - President Hahib Bourguiba of Tunisia has relieved his son, also called Hahib of his post as special presidential adviser. No reason was given.

Bonner surgery

Boston (AFP) - Mrs Yelena Bonner, the wife of the Soviet dissident Dr Andrei Sakharov, is to undergo heart bypass surgery because medication has failed to cure her.

Lorry chaos

Rio de Janeiro (AP) - More than 500.000 Brazilian lorry drivers went on strike for a minimum pay scale, blocking highways and threatening food supplies in Brazilian cities.

Planes collide

Zwiebruecken (AP) - Two US Air Force F15 planes collided in mid-air yesterday killing one of the pilots and an elderly man on the ground,

Cold deaths

Delhi (AFP) - At least 160 people have died in a cold wave sweeping northern and eastern India for the past four weeks,

Correction

Howe presses Lagos minister on debt repayment intended to pay all "legitimate found guilty on two charges

By Nicholas Ashford Diplomatic Correspondent

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the repay this year?

Secretary, vesterday In his New Year announcecoonomy, which has been hit by falling oil prices and the cost of servicing its large foreign debt.

However, during two hours debts.

However, during two hours of talks with Professor Bolaji

Akinyemi, the Nigerian Foreign Minister, he stressed that there a target and the actual amount were aspects of Nigeria's New could be higher. Year budgetary measures which were causing apprehension Geoffrey said Nigeria's debt among British creditors and servicing proposal was "helpful needed to be further discussed. as a foundation on which In particular, how much of its to build". He praised the

£11.8 million debt, a quarter of overall budgetary package as which is owed to British courageous but said it was too concerns, did Nigeria intend to

Foreign Secretary, yesterday In his New Year announce-gave a qualified welcome to ment President Babangida Nigeria's efforts to revive its Nigeria would use no more than Nigeria to solve its debt 30 per cent of its foreign problems through for exchange exprings to solve its debt exchange earnings to service its

At yesterday's meeting Sir. Geoffrey said Nigeria's debt

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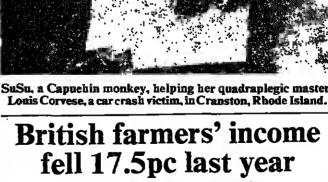
the Paris Club. However, British officials admitted that Nigeria had not

continuing determination to do

belped its case by rejecting last month a proposed £1.7 billion

He briefly raised the question aircraft. Their appeal is ex-of Johnson Matthey Bankers, pected to be heard shortly. part of whose £100 million The Nigerians feel strongly claim against Nigeria is said by about the 12-year prison senthe Nigerians to be fraudulent.

the key bilateral issue that has the kidnap plot against Mr been delaying a restoration of Umaru Dikko, a former Nigerial diplomatic relations – the imprisonment of Nigerian and British citizens by each country



to figures released by the stocks, which almost trebled European Community statistical office yesterday.

In the EEC, according the stocks, which almost trebled from just under six million tonnes in September 1984 to 16.85 million tonnes a year tural incomes took a cut of 8 per later. In the same period tooks are period tooks and the same period tooks.

The drop in incomes, which

The setback to farmers comes at a time when EEC taxpayers are providing record sums to pay for the food mountains.

According to the annual report on the situation in the agricultural markets released

including the EEC and Nato. Fashion history

stocks are still hovering at just

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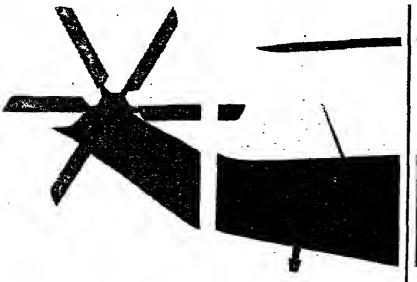
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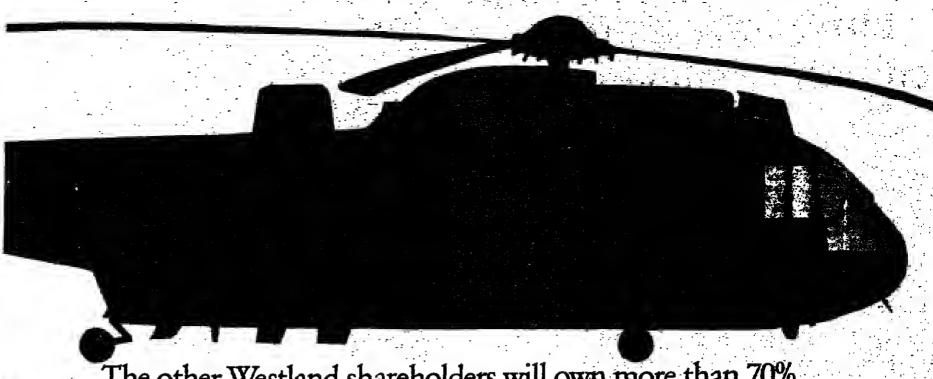
Labour leader, Mr Neil Kin-nock, met the Spanish Prime Minister, Señor Felipe Gonzá-

lez, yesterday to discuss bilate-

ral and international issues,



The Americans and Italians will share just under 30%.



The other Westland shareholders will own more than 70%.

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The short answer is, we will.

If you vote in favour of the new proposals from Sikorsky (a division of UTC) and Fiat, as your Board urges you to do, Westland will remain an independent British company.

Free to develop, design and build helicopters in Britain.

Sikorsky and Fiat will become valued and trusted partners, but only minority shareholders.

Together they'll own no more than 29.9%, and this could drop to 21%.

Thriving, independent companies themselves, they are backing Westland's long-term prosperity.

We are convinced that their proposals, though similar in financial terms to those of the European consortium, are better for our company, our shareholders and our workforce.

In view of the vast amount of public comment, we would like to give you our main reasons once again.

A tried and tested partnership.

As you probably know we have, in fact, been working successfully with Sikorsky for a long while.

Over the last thirty-eight years we have built the Dragonfly, Whirlwind, Wessex and Sea King helicopters under licence from them.

Often, as they have been kind enough to admit, improving them.

(We're proud to say, our version of the Sea King outsells theirs in export markets.)

We get on well together, we know each other and we build very good machines together.

An association with Fiat is a further important benefit in our view.

They are a large, profitable and international group with interests in aviation, space and materials technology.

Furthermore, many of their interests dovetail with ours.

This will give us opportunities to strengthen our technological capabilities and open up new markets.

Moreover, Westland and Fiat are two of Europe's leading helicopter transmission manufacturers.

By contrast, the proposals of the European group aren't nearly so appealing.

A marriage of inconvenience.

Frankly, the consortium seems to be an ad hoc grouping of companies, some of which are stateowned and fierce competitors of ourselves and each other.

The truth is, there's a glut of helicopters in Europe, with problems of overmanning and overcapacity.

We believe that instead of making complete helicopters, Westland would steadily be reduced to producing only parts for a European machine:

Our skills, our know-how, our self esteem would all be degraded whereas with Sikorsky and Fiat they'll be enhanced.

With their help, we'll form a formidable new competitor for everyone else in the market.

But would the Government discriminate against Westland if we join forces with Sikorsky and Fiat?

Our Chairman wrote and asked the Prime Minister this very question.

The Prime Minister's assurances.

We sent the full text of both letters to our shareholders on 6th January and yesterday published them in an advertisement.

One of the key points she makes is this:

"As long as Westland continues to carry on business in the UK, the Government will of course continue to regard it as a British and therefore a European company, and will support it in pursuing British interests in Europe."

Why shareholders can't vote on both proposals.

We have sent you full details of both sets of proposals together with the Board's recommendation.

Some shareholders, however, have asked why they can't vote on the two and make a decision as they do in a competitive takeover.

There are two reasons why not.

First, this is not a takeover. It's a capital reconstruction for a company in extreme financial difficulty.

The Board's overriding duty is to assess, with its wide knowledge of the commercial background, what is best for Westland and to make a clear recommendation to shareholders.

Second, because of the urgency of the situation, we need a quick and decisive solution. We simply can't risk falling between two stools.

Apart from anything else, the law insists that either proposal gets a three-quarters majority. If both alternatives are put to shareholders, there's a real danger that neither will get that majority.

Our urgent priority must be to establish a stable framework within which Westland can operate.

Westland's phone-in.

We hope we have explained why your Board is. strongly recommending you to vote without delay in favour of the Sikorsky and Fiat proposals.

If you have any difficulty in completing and/or returning your proxy card in time, we invite you to phone us between 10am and 8pm daily.

The number is 01-583 1398.

Every single vote is crucial for Westland's future and delay could seriously damage us.

Remember, to be valid, your proxy must

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resume

Bonn coalition shaken by bitter liberal attack on right-wing ministers

probably resigned the serves to that it was legal.

politicians using the whole of Last weekend, Herr Zimmer attack on his colleagues.

1986 campaign for the general man and Herr Spranger were By all accounts, he rather election in January next year described as grand-masters of approved of it Later, he made a But they will be kept interested. Frankenstein's cabinet of hor
bet the FDP's alliance with the if the politicians' exchanges stay rors". By the standards of West as lively as those which began German politics, this would the year, although by yesterday have been an unusually vivid there were signs that ministers; phrase if uttered by a member already think things have of the Opposition. But what already gone too far.

The new year began, as the old one ended, with an attack on Herr Friederich Zimmermann, the Minister of the Interior, and his junior minister Herr Carl-Dieter Spranger, both of whom are members of the Bavarian Christian Social Union, the right-wing of the ruling Bonn coalition. Since the summer, Herr Zimmermann had been hamed for not realising that dehts and alcoholism made a security risk of Herr Hans-Joachim Tiedge, the counter-espionage official who defected to East Germany. He was also security risk of Herr HansJoachim Tiedge, the counterespionage official who defected to East Germany. He was also blamed for ruling that there was insufficient evidence to justify close surveillance of a woman secretary in the Chancellery who also defected.

Just before Christmas it was disclosed that Herr Spranger should be in involved in the collection of secret files on some Green MP's. Herr ZimmerGreen MP's Herr Zimmer
Green MP's Herr Zimmer
Land ded that Herr Domocrats. In effect he accused them of trying to achieve "a profile of their own at the expense of their partners."

That analysis was almost certainly correct. The general view is that what was behind the incident was the HDP's wish to remain identified with the more successful aspects of the Government, such as the party and Minister of making it clear to voter that the general vigorously applauded. Herr Government, such as the more successful aspects of the making it clear to voter that the party and Minister of making it clear to voter that the party and minister of making it clear to voter that the party and minister of making it clear to voter that the party as a mind of its own.

in attack

on gossips

From Mary Lee

no interest in understanding the

policies and principles of the party and state but show great interest in seeking "inside stories", spreading hearsay,

"Such fiberalism," the news-paper said, "not only interferes

and diverts people's energy

from striving for the four

modernizations with one heart

It called for strong criticism

and disciplining of rumour mongers and also maintenance

of "a clear mind" to stop the

The next day, the Economic Daily castigated the abominable trend of bureaucracy and

dereliction of duty" which it

said was flourishing among some senior cadres. "Where

hurcaucracy flourishes, there are piles of problems and plenty

of illegal practices," according

The Economic Daily gave no example of damaging rumours

and slander. However, analysts said that the disunity and

demoralising effects attributed

to rumour-mongering in central

departments suggest there is

dissatisfaction among cadre ranks for current reforms possibly fuelled by gossip about

nepotism. Such people are also suspected of feeding infor-

mation to students causing the

spread of unrest on China's

The commentary on bureauc

racy is linked to rumour-mong-ers, said one diplomat. "It's

much easier to hang a charge of

hureaucracy and dereliction of

duty on a person than to accuse

him of gossiping," he said. "But those cadres who have been

disguising their lack of enthusi-

asm for economic reforms had better watch out."

to the newspaper.

rumours and slander.

and mind."

Peking ·

West German voters have mann's affincipal reaction was ence and made no attempt to obably resigned thenselves to that it was legal. dissociate himself from this

made it still more exceptional was that if came from a senior figure in the Free Democrats, who are in the coalition with the conservatives, and therefore with Herr Zimmermann and

Herr Spranger.

The politician who made the remark, Herr Walter Doring leader of the Free Democrats in

that the FDP's alliance with the conservatives would continue after the general election, but this was overshadowed by the evidence of troubles within the coalition.

In Bonn, Chancellor Kohl showed signs of being furious, and it was generally agreed that Herr Dring's remarks had been far more damaging than anything the opposition Social Democrats had said on

Democrat party headquarters, Herr Köhl issued a statement deploring this unnecessary strain on the work of the clarification from the Free

State wins

battle

for Tito's

estate

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade

late President Tito's estates, including gifts and medals he had received in the course of 37 years of his rule, has been rushed through the Yugoslav

In an attempt to block any

further legal action, the Government disclosed that Tito's widow, Mrs Jovanka Broz, is claiming cars, motor-

boats, horses, jewelry, paintings, furniture and vineyards worth millions of pounds.

Mrs Broz has been forced to

live in obscurity since 1977, three years before Tito's death,

under circumstances which to this day are shrouded in mystery. Some time ago she started legal proceedings against the state, claiming that she was deprived of personal

properties, and that she was prevented from being present when her husband's estate was

being registered by a state

the end, a new house was built for her in a residential district

Sources close to Mrs Broz

at a cost of £225,000.

prevented from taking

personal possessions, including jewelry, from the house.

Legislation nationalizing the

Peking daily Indonesian spending cuts hit development

sia yesterday unveiled a tough Bureaucrats are coming budget to cope with falling oil under attack in the party-con and commodity prices, cutting trolled press and are being overall government expenditure hlamed for the spread of illegal by 7 per cent and development practices in Government and spending by 22 per cent, party circles. The *Economic* Calling on Indonesians to

Daily for the past two days has face the coming difficult year is being trimmed of revenues run commentaries criticizing with a "calm and realistic wherever cuts can be made cadres who spread rumours; attitude" the President said in a Defence development falls by cadres who spread rumours, attitude", the President said in a Defence development falls by slander and gossip and those national television address that 22 per cent project contruction who shift responsibility on to the 21.4 trillion rupiah (£13 budgets are cut and even the others and fail to tackle a billion) budget would be bal-priority areas such as education, growing pile of problems, in anced and the government agriculture, communications particular, illegal practices, would not go into deficit and rural development reduced.

cies slammed cadres in central since 1969 that the country had budget as realistic, most have departments who do not ever made a cut in its expressed grave reservations concentrate on their work but development budgets but the about the Government's calcugossip about others, who have signs were that the world lation of oil prices

President Subarto of Indone economic situation might deteriorate further and oil revenues were falling.

However, he said that the Government does not need to and will not devalue the

However, almost every sector

particular, illegal practices, would not go into deficit and rural development reduced.

On Monday, the party's spending.

While most independent monthpiece on economic poli
He said it was the first time analysts in Jakarta hailed the

Colombian volcano emergency eases

From Geoffrey Matthews, Bogota

The state of emergency declared in central Colombia at the weekend after an alarming increase in scismic activity in ma who had been evacuated to the Nevado del Ruiz volcano high ground, were allowed to has been partially lifted by the return to their homes.

the devastating cruption last November in which an estimated 25,000 people perished, was yesterday reported to be diminishing. In the sudden weekend upsurge of activity it had emitted sulphurous ashes

-Italy's hospital

doctors strike

for better pay

Rome - Italy's 100,000

hospital doctors started a three-

negotiate their own national

employment contract instead of

of one of the organizations.

As a result, residents of low- claim that upon Tite's death lying districts of the towns of the was evicted from thonda, Guayabal and Ambalema, who had been evacuated to police, and that she

Government.

But the Government mannActivity in the volcano's tained the emergency in two crater, which was the source of other towns - Mariquita and Chinchina .

A picture of a greety and obstinate woman has been painted of her in the Press, In the opinion of experts, unlike the other towns, Maricontrasting her attitude with that of Tito's two sons from his quita and Chinchina would be much more vulnerable and would have far less warning in the event of another big cruption. the cruption would have another big cruption. the cruption would have far less warning in the cruption. the cruption would be two previous marriages, who have renounced all claim to their father's estate regarding everything connected with his life as part of a public trust.

commission set up to establish Tito's public trust and mem-orial funds. Mrs Broz has so far not commented on the Government's claim that since Tito's death, when she had to move out of their residence, she Americans declined six houses the Govern-ment offered to her to live in. In

of relentless increases, the rate dipped in 1983, according to government statistics. But nobody is predicting a trend: marriage break-up is almost certainly heading for even greater records.

Analysts attribute the decline to some cold realities, not least of which is the cost of divorce. The recession in 1981, kept many couples together, for the simple reason that they could not afford to go separate ways.

Jean van der Tak, of the Population Reference Bureau, an independent Washington research group studying population, said: "Divorces cost money. Divorce often is a reflection of economic times."

There were 1,158,000 div-

stay together. The average length of mar-

Since people have been marrying later, the average age of those getting divorced has increased. The average for husbands at the time of divorce was 36.1 in 1983, against 34.8 in 1978. For women, the average age at divorce rose from 32.1 to 33.5 in the same period.

to ensure honest elections From Paul Routledge, Manila Reformist officers in the Philippine armed forces yesterfallen short of the public's tion of the election code. "It is expectations for it to remain possible that our soldiers will impartial and non-partisan." impartial and non-partisan. This time, the AFP will again be put to the test to help ensure The test to help ensure Rohles.

neutrality."

Officers urge Philippine army

British troops from the Cheshire Regiment based in Hong Kong fire a volley on Chinese soil for the first time in 30 years

in their role as extras for the filming of the James Clavell novel Taipan at Zhuhai in Guangdoog province.

day announced measures to prevent military abuses during next month's presidential elec-

They told their fellow officers there was a popular clamour for an honest, fair and clean election free from the unscrupu-lous use of soldiers and policemen as "hired goons".

About 50 Filipino and foreign journalists and a small number of diplomats crammed into the upstairs room of a restaurant to watch the unusual spectacle of 15 serving officers denouncing their superiors for past political misdemeanours.

The officers, leaders of the "We Belong" reform movement in the services, claim to represent 70 per cent of middleranking military men said to want a fair poll on February 7. In their reference manual to

the 1,000 reformist officers, they admit: "In past elections, the AFP (Philippine armed forces) was perceived to have

clean and hnnest elections and

to demonstrate its political known by its initials RAM. occupies a curinus niche in Officers should urge citizens Filipino public life. It is not to vote and not sell their votes, exactly frowned upon by high-and work with civic and ranking officers, yet it yesterday religious organizations to pre- repeated it call for the retirevent fraud and coercion of the ment of more than 30 "overelectorate. staying" generals whose service Colonel Rex Robles, spokesterms have been personally man for the group, said: "If the extended by the president. elections are not perceived to be

Some clue to the official representative of the will of the tolerance extended to RAM people, there will be widespread may be found in its stated aim discontent and possibly civil of countering the hard left's strife." Such an outcome to the boycott of the February 7 poll snap poll ordered by President and the communists' claim that Marcos would definitely strengthe clection "is a farce and will then adherence to the 17-year not make any difference." old insurgency being waged in the Philippines by the communist New People's Army.

Meanwhile, Cardinaal Jaime Sin, Archbishop of Manila, has added his very considerable

added his very considerable weight to the calls for an honest The officers even suggested that soldiers should disobey any election. In a pastoral letter he "illegal orders" given by their said it was "seriously immoral superiors to act in controven- and unChristian" to cheat.

Afghan generals reported arrested

Islamabad. - Up to five Afghan army generals are reported to have been arrested recently for passing information about Soviet troop movements and other military secrets to a guerrilla commander.

Western diplomatie sources said four generals were arrested in the Afghan capital on December 5. Another source said a fifth general may have been detained too.

The generals held senior positions at the Afghan Defence Ministry when they were arrested for passing information to anti-government guerrillas, the sources said. They apparently had been giving information to the guerrillas about Soviet troop movements.

The Western sources said their information was based on a wide number of reports fnr Kahul. But they had nn information on what had happened to the arrested gen-

Meanwhile, an Afghan guerrilla commander and two other people were killed in one attack and fnur Afghan refugees were killed in another near Peshawar. Pakistani newspapers reported

Several newspapers reported that a guerrilla commander named Muhammad Daud as shot from a passing vehicle on Sunday as he waited for his own car. Two people standing nearby also were killed, the

papers said. Four Afghan refugees were killed when a group of rival Afghans opened fire on their tents in a refugee camp at Hangu, south of Peshawar, the newspapers said. The attack, which was described as recent, appeared to be part of an old feud between the twn groups, they said.

Peshawar, which is not far from the Afghan border, is the headquarters for Afghan guerrilla groups fighting the Soviet-backed Government of Afghanistan. There has been a wave of bombings and killings in the city in recent months that have been attributed to disputes between the guerrilla groups or attacks by Afghan Government

Divorce too costly for

With the recession over, she is confident that the 1984 and 1985 figures will show in-

orces in 1983, about 12,000 fewer than in 1982, according to the National Centre of Health Statistics. In 20 years the number of divorces has trebled. Apart from cost, the dip in divorces is a reflection of a decline in marriage rates among the career-conscious baby-boom generation in the 1970s. That generation married unusually late, so that partners were more mature and thus more likely to

riages ending in divorce was 9.6 years in 1983. The divorce rate was highest among men aged 20 to 24, and among women in their teens. Rates declined sharply among people in their 40s, and even more so when they reached their 50s.

The missing US soldiers

Hanoi agrees on joint action

Hanoi (Reuter) - US and the issue within two years or nent liaison office in Hanoi Vietnamese delegations said even sooner," Mr Armitage staffed by US technical person-

The American Assistant Secretary of Defence, Mr Richard Armitage, said his delegation had also asked Hanoi if

Americans were still held in Vietnam.
"The Vietnamese side expressed their position that there are no live Americans under their control," he said. Hanoi had said it would accept any information the United States

had on this subject and would investigate, he added. "The US delegation pleased with the discussions and the agreements to resolve

1975. They stayed 24 hours in cans. the country.

when Vietnamese officials will discussed.

Washington

Americans have been getting divorced less. For the second consecutive year, after 20 years

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Mr Armitage, the Assistant The Vietnamese Foreign Secretary of State, Dr Paul Minister, Mr Nguyen Co Thach, Wolfowitz, and five other called the talks fruitful and said Americans were the highest-Americans were the highest-both sides agreed to improve ranking US officials to visit cooperation to speed up the Vietnam since the war ended in tracing of 1,797 missing Ameri-

The Minister of State for The two sides agreed to meet Foreign Affairs, Mr Vo Dong again in Hanoi next month Giang, told a news conference when Vietnamese officials will on Monday that improved submit new data on 50 missing cooperation on the missing Americans. Excavations of issue had helped improve aircraft crash sites also will be hilateral ties.

He said Hanoi would not use Vietnam, meanwhile, will the issue as a bargaining chip continue its own excavations for the normalization of reand investigations, with US lations, adding: "We are used to help and equipment if needed.

But Mr Armitage said there was no need yet for a perma-

India and Pakistan work towards a peace treaty

From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad

Several rounds of formal this year, when it is hoped a high-level meetings between durable peace agreement, cover-India and Pakistan are planned ing trade and economic and in the next fortnight to improve industrial collaboration as well. relations and with the objective will be signed.
of signing a peace treaty later Meanwhile, the Foreign Office spokesman issued the

his year. fice spokesman issued the programme of the three-day visit to Pakistan of President spokesman said yesterday that Khamenei of Iran from next the finance ministers of the two countries will open talks in Islamabad today to examine the Monday. He will have talks with General Zia and Mr Mohammed Khan Junejn, the Moha possibility of increasing trade and economic collaboration.

Monamined Khan Junejn, the prime Minister, on global, and economic collaboration.

and economic collaboration.

The defence secretaries will meet here next weekend to discuss the Siachen Glacier regional and bilateral issues, including the West Asia situation, the Gulf War, Afghandiscuss the Siachen Glacier discuss the Siachen Glacier issue, which has brought fre-quent clashes between Indian and Pakistani troops, with considerable loss of life on both sides.

The foreign secretaries are to Iran in March 1981 as a neet from January 16 in 21 to member of the Islamic Confermeet from January 16 in 21 to carry forward the discussions on marrying the Pakistani proposal of non-aggression and the Indian offer of a treaty of peace, friendship and co-operation initiated about three years ago. The spokesman said they would also discuss other "confidence-building measures".

The meetings are a result of the summit between President Zia of Pakistan and Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, in Delhi last month.

Mr Gandhi has promised to

visit Pakistan hy the middle of

Ershad poll facing threat of boycott

From Ahmed Fazl Dhaka

There is uncertainty about elections being held in Bangla-desh after the leader of the largest opposition party said she would boycott them if martial law were not lifted first.

Sheikh Hasina Wazed, head of the Awami League, which ruled Bangladesh from 1972 in 1975, told a hig rally nn the Dhaka University campus that martial law would have to be lifted and a caretaker government formed before the polls. President Ershad promised a general election by April this ear, after almost four years nf

military rule. But he denied that there were any plans to lift martial law or that he would resign before-

Sheikh Wazina said: "If we take part in the polls under martial law, the military will get its own people elected," the league, which is leading a 15party ailiance, would not allow the military to rule under the guise of democracy. "We will rather fight on the streets than go 10 the polls."

On Monday, Mrs Khaledia Zia, leader of a seven party opposition alliance, called for the resignation of the Gnvernment before the polls.

At least three attempts to hold elections have been thwarted by boycott threats from the two alliances.

Sikh rebels step up Punjab killings

line:

superpowers.
It is believed to be the

Iranian Presidem's first state

visit. His choice of Pakistan for

that visit is seen here as

significant. General Zia visited

.Jammu &

Ceded to

ence peace committee.

stepped up violence all over Punjab, killing nine people yesterday (Kuldip Nayar writes). It is probably in response to the state Government's announcement that it will no longer be lenient

shoot-out in Nurmahal in Jalandhar district and one was shot dead in each of Sangrur, Amritsar, Faridkot and Jaland-

Delhi has long offered in send

Delhi - Sikh extremists have killed at Ferozepur outside a accept them since the Sikhs feel epped up violence all over cinema hall, three died in a that they tend to side with the Hindus.

In Delhi, two Hindus were shot dead from a car near a college. Police have tightened security around public figures in more central reserve police but the state has been reluctant to case Punjab extremists try to create panic in Delhi.

Trinidad prepares to resume executions From Jeremy Taylor, Port of Spain

to them,

Hastening a Caribbean trend Thomas and Paul were back towards hanging, Trinidad convicted of complicity in the

Death warrants were read last state prison in Port of Spain, Andy Thomas and Kirkland Paul, giving them 14 hours worked through the night for 2 stay of execution, which was told for several more hours. A tion that an unofficial moracourt hearing is scheduled for torium was in effect tomorrow, when lawyers will Of nearly 30 pris also exhausted available legal ago. Trinidad and Tobago's last also exhausted available legal ago. I mindan and 1 composition procedures, and face execution: hanging was in 1979.

There has been no formal settling bad debts incurred by insolvent corporations, South government response to despite the faction man, Mr Chun Hak-Je succeeded Mr Kim Sung-Jin as mands for a public inquiry on the death penalty.

There is no formal settling bad debts incurred by insolvent corporations, South Korea's most pressing economic problem. But the Government will be death penalty.

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and Tobago is preparing to shooting of a policeman in the resume executions after a gap of aftermath of Trinidad's 1970 more than six years. Guyana upheaval and were sentenced to resumed hangings in August, death in 1973. Thomas is a and Jamaica in 1980 after a gap convert to Islam and has written a book on the Islamic resurgence. Paul has written a month to two prisoners in the book of poems. Paul has been receiving psychiatric treatment and last year asked to be hanged rather than suffer further delay. notice of execution. Lawyers Both men's appeals were re-worked through the night for a jected by the Privy Council in London, and appeals against the finally served on reluctant death sentence on constiprison authorities 45 minutes tutional grounds were with-before the hangings were due, drawn in September - according although the prisoners were not to legal sources on the assump-

tomorrow, when lawyers will Of nearly 30 prisoners on ning Minister in a reshuffle of argue new constitutional motions. Two other prisoners have sentenced eight or more years member Cabinet.





"If I should die I want Donna to have my heart," Felipe Garza (left) aged 15, told his parents, last month (Trever Fishlock writes from New York). Donna Ashlock (right) his girlfriend, aged 14, was dying because her heart was enlarged. A transplant was her only hope. Felipe died suddenly last weekend of a brain haemorrhage. His parents remembered his request and contacted Donna's parents.



implented it in Donna. Yesterday she seemed to be making satisfactory progress and doctors were waiting until she is stronger before telling her of Felipe's death. A doctor said: "This little girl was going to die. By a quirk of fate and an act of God she received this gift from a friend," In the small farming town of Patterson, California, Donna's father said: "It's a miracle. Felipe was a

Surgeons in San Francisco Chun reshuffles Seoul cabinet

Seoul (AFP) - President Chun Doo-Hwan of South Korea reshuffled his Cabinet yesterday, promoting his wellregarded Finance Minister, who immediately said he would tackle the pressing problem of corporations with bad debts.

A presidential spokesman said Mr Chun had appointed the Finance Minister, Mr Kim Mr Lho Shin-Yong resigned en Mahn-le, as Deputy Prime Minister and Economic Paln-

a single stroke.

shippards and shipping firms, are reported to have incurred bad debts to banks of about \$6.5 appointed Construction Minisbillion (£4.42 billion). The previous Cabinet. headed by the Prime Minister,

masse at an hour-long special

meeting to make way for the

Mr Kim said the Government would pursue its policy of
Se-Jik, a former general, from and Technology Board chair-

would not liquidate the debts at chairman of the joint chiefs of staff Mr Lee Ki-Back, was made Various companies, mostly Defence Minister in succession overseas construction firms, to Mr Yoon Sung-Min.
shippards and shipping firms, The Vice-Minister for Home Affairs Mr Lee Kyu-Ho, was

ter in succession to Mr Kim

Sung-Bae, while the Bank of

Korea President Mr Choi

Chang-Nak was made Energy and Resources Minister. The Presidential Secretary for reshuffle.

With the 1986 Asian games Kwan-Yong, became Minister to be held here in nine months, of General Government Ad-

towards extremists. Two of the victims were

An obsession with the legacy of Vietnam

Five years ago the director Michael Cimioo made a film which, amning other things, blighted his career, hrought a major studio to its knees and, some said, single-handedly drove Hollywood into a period of recession. Heaven's Gate opened on to hell. No note is soing to associate him with the nne is going to associate him with the imminent demise of cinema this week, but, even so, Cimino's return to filmmaking, marked by Year of the Dragon, which opens at the ABC Shafteshury Avenue on Friday, has oot been the quiet affair he might have hoped for. The film has stirred up a hornet's nest of critical aggression as well as wider which the stirred that it is both earlier and nbjections that it is both sexist and

Set in New York's Chinatown, Dragon pits an over-zealnus policeman against the ruthless leaders of the Triad-style underworld to create a thriller as exciting and exotic as a Chinese New Year's Day parade, if a good deal more violent. It is a lustrous. occasionally nightmarish movie, skilfully orchestrated to maintain n calculatedly high pitch of emotion and excitement. It makes one glad that, as the T-shirts at MGM have been proclaiming for some time, "Cimino is

About the critical reception afforded his work Cimino must have learnt to be stoical. The game-playing of some American critics in response to Year of the Dragon – "could do for Chinese restaurants what Jaws did for beaches" - can probably be shrugged off. Not so casily the weightier objection of a Boston newspaper: "Cimino didn't direct a movie, he choreographed a racist's temper tantrum". Which to some extent he did, for at the centre of the film's plot is Captain Stanley White, played by Miekey Rourke, a policeman whose enthusiasm to elean

up Chinatown is suspiciously manic. What begins as old-fashioned idealism ends as a crazy failure to distinguish elearly between Chinatown and Vict-

The idiocy might not be quite Ramboesque in its proportions, but Cimino's continuing preoccupation with Vietnam's legacy has run him into trouble before now. The Deer Hunter was accused of right-wing extremism. There are those who say that Cimino depiets racism, and there are those who

think Ciminn is racist.

The American press has complained about Year of the Dragon, so have politicians; and so, more to the point, have crowds of protesters outside cinemas across the States, prompting an unprecedented response from the distributors. Three weeks after Dra-gon's initial release, an apology was added to the film's opening credits: "This film does not intend to demean or to ignore the many positive features of Asian-Americans... Any similarity between the depiction in this film and any association, organization, individ-ual or Chinatown that exists in real life

Everything must seem like anti-cli-max though after *Heaven's Gate*. On its way to becoming a byword for movie husiness profligacy and probably the most famous little-seen film of all time, Heaven's Gate sank the company which made it. United Artists, who were swallowed up by MGM, and caused one of the more spectacular of Hollywood's recent displays of corpor-

ate hlood-letting.

Prime mover in all the money-spending and money-wasting was clearly Michael Cimino. In the first six days of shooting his supposed Western epic, he used 60.000 feet of film at a cost of \$900,000 and yet produced only one



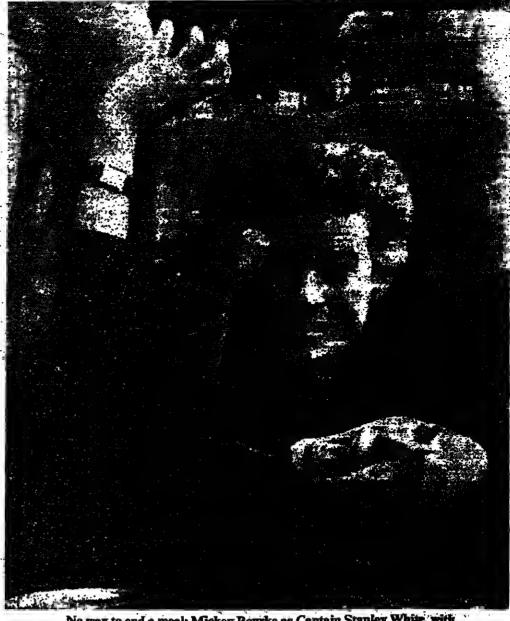
and a half minutes of usable screen material. What that meant for his schedule was that, after six days, he was already five days behind. Before he had fioished, Cimino left ooe borse dead and, apparently, another with psychiatric problems - to say nothing of his cast - while, at a cost of \$36m (or 600 per cent over hudget), be had produced a movie which attracted such notices as "a ponderous spectacle made by a tiny talent of dubious sensibility".

Steven Bach, former head of production at United Artists, who recently catalogued the affair in his Final Cut: Dreams and Disasters in the Making of Heaven's Gate (Jonathan Cape, £12.50), still has a question he would like to put to Michael Cimino, not having had much contact with him since the last days of the film's production. "I would love to ask him how he felt when the Heaven's Gate thing happened. Amongst all else, the Press ridiculed him, yet he never seemed at all fazed. I don't suppose he'd answer the question though."

Bach's impression of Cimino is clear enough even from the index of Final-Cut. Under a heading of "Cimino, Michael, character and personality of", there are page references to "megalo-mania", "narcissism", "need for control" and "sulks and silences", although balanced against that are references in "energy", "enthusiasm", "professionalism" and "perfection-

"I tried not to be judgemental", Steven Bach insists. "Mr Cimino is a very good film-maker and a brilliant technician. But he obviously needs a strong producer to keep him in check. I realize that I made a lot of mistakes, hut in the end it was Michael Cimino who made *Hearen's Gate.*" That being hy implication, the biggest mistake of them all, although Cimino, of course, has proved to be the only survivor of

Ironically enough Dragon was made for MGM (or rather MGM/UA as it became after Heaven's Gate), who were also wise enough to make sure Cimino was teamed up with the apparently requisite strong producer: in this case Dino de Laurentis. As Cimino has been gleefully pointing oot to reporters, he came in eight days ahead of schedule on Year of the Dragon, and within his budget too. Future projects are already "in development". Cimino is not only back. He is back, it seems, to stay.



No way to end a meal: Mickey Rourke as Captain Stanley White, with Ariane as his dinner guest, about to settle up in Year of the Dragon

Opera

Hell's Angels Royal Court

Monday night's opening per-formance of the first of Nigel Osborne's operas for 1986 allows one to speak with some confidence of the second. Whatever else may be true of The Electrification of the Soviet Union, as his piece for Glyndepossibly be as dreadful as Hell's lingels. Just at the moment I sermon oo Christian virtue cannot think of an evening in faced by corporate evil, have the theatre I have arrived less than the dream of the serious description of the serio bourne is now called, it cannot the theatre I have enjoyed less, nothing to do with the satirical, Even The Magic Flute at the nonsensical depiction of ICA last month bad the odd bit of recognizable music. No, this really was the pits. And at least it was so consisteotly. It started terribly; it ended terribly; and every teensy little bit along the

way was sheerly, utterly terrible. Just possibly, though, it could had been the minutest sign that the composer or his librettist, the producer David Freeman, uvu think seriously about the thing. Hell's Ingels was a rush job. There were difficulties about obtaining the rights to the work that Osborne wanted to adapt, The Master and Marguerita, and so, very quickly, he and Freeman cobbled together something based oo a play by Oskar Panizza, The Council of Love. giving it their own cheap and barely relevant title.

The basic situation, taken from the Panizza, is that God the Father, Jesus, the Virgin Mary and the rest of them are tired of the rompings that go on at the court of the Borgia pope Alexauder VI, and so they send syphilis as an Awful Warning tihis kind of thing works much better in the *Iliad*, not to



mention Offeobach). Freeman brings the action up to date as well, in order to add what might be described as a second coming, the advent of Aids, and in order also to present scenes from the brief papacy of John Paul I, who of course is bumped off when he tries to go for the big guns of the Vatican's banking concerns.

These scenes, delivered as if they were meant to be taken nonsensical depiction of Heaveo or the tea party corruption of Rome circa 1494 (really the time comes wheo one has had enough of popes copulating with succubi oo high altars). But the real weakness of the opera is much more than structural: it is a matter of being have been slightly worse if there quite uninquisitive about the moral and theological matters that are opened, of being hlithely casual about the nature

The good, represented by the Sunday-school figure of the last pontiff but one. is the purest milk and water. The evil is mere silliness. I have mentioned one example: there are others, such as the pope's (Alexander VI, to be sure) scattering of hosts like confetti over his bastards and coneubines, or the naked wrestling out of Women in Love, or the acted coupling done for the benefit of the as a feather. No wonder poor

Satan cuts so weak a figure. There is just the faintest possibility that a composer could have wrested something out of this mess, hut perhaps Osborne was wise not to try. A great deal of the dialogue is delivered in speech, which makes the sudden hursts into song uncalled-for one suspects people are starting to go crazy. The predominance of speech over music also gives the score an incidental air, which its substance does nothing to counter. There are occasional



God as ailing Ayatollah: Tom McDonnell

who, not for the first time in a Borgias. It is all a sham, as light Freeman production, stands out

Unvirgin Marys, but very often for the strength of his baritone he just throws in tape or and his physical presence. Other percussion to make a ooise. Up Opera Factory regulars among to n point ooe sympathizes, but the cast include Marie Angel. not at the end, where he so lewd and lovely in a variety of completely goes along with roles, Hugh Hetheringtoo as a Freeman's scattmental apotheosis of the Aids victim.

Tom McDonnell as God in the In that role is Omar Ebrahim, guise of ailing Ayatollah. Diego who, not for the first time in a Masson cooducts.

Theatre

Being Earnest

Playhouse, Oxford

Wilde's only really good play bears the noblest characteristics of a champion boxer: light on its feet, unerring in its combioation puoches and capable of soaking up most of the punishment going. It has much need of this last quality in surviving Richard Williams's production.

"This is oo time for wearing the shallow mask of manners" expostulates Cecily. Naturally, given the Wildean principle of inversion, the whole piece is an exercise in wearing masks, and the shallower the better – bow else perceive the excellently tough booe-structure beneath?
The masks should be well-fitting and lightly worn; what they must not be is over-laden with decoration. Manners are everything, mannerisms

lo my view, the thing only orks it Algertion is the roughly camp - not sexually equivocal, simply camp, with all the teasing poise and glide the word implies. Chris Hunter is about as camp as a secondhand video salesman. He cannot help it, of course, any more than I can, but the fact remains that he is woefully miscast in the role.

Donnell as God in the lit seems a fair presumption that Mr Hunter's extraordinary mannerisms — his sedulous skipping, his windmilling

The Importance of

hands, his constant air of a stand-up comic acting camp -are designed to mitigate his own stolidity. There is certainly an alarming current of burlesque in his performance, at its most damaging in his first interview with Cecily.

David Mallimson's Jack is

happily made of sterner stuff, as anyone who has spent his life standing in for a three-decker novel needs to be, but neither of the male leads speaks with quite the pukka accept ooe would expect. That is left to the ladies:

Christine Kavanagh's Gwendo-len, Elizabeth Kelly's Miss Prism, Natalie Ogle's Cecily.

Andree Melly's purple-clad gorgoo of a Lady Bracknell manages to hit at least two separate notes oo most of the vowels she utters (par for the course) although her rendering of "A handbag?" - the most resonant three syllables in stage comedy - emerges as a deliber-ately soft-pedalled quaver of wonderment rather than the traditional plaster-crazing organ

And yet, and yet. muffins", as Alectroco insists, "are the same." The script's dazzling interplay of cynicism and home truths, the faultless skewering of snobbery, the sterling elucidation of women's constancy and men's flightiness

- these are imperishable. It takes more than an indifferent production to conquer this redoubtable old battleaxe of a

Martin Cropper | everything he passed. There was

Television

Pavement credibility

it can therefore be employed by the main props of video-art. "ordinary" people, and cable-channels in the United States have shown just how populist a medium television can become as n result, but the fact that it is so cheap also means that it has become available to artists who in televisioo to be prohibitively

. Last night's programme was concerned primarily with the latter group - or video-makers", as some of them choose to call themseives. Not all the technical advances in the world could compensate for the lack rant may not have been everybody's idea of fun, and Laurie Anderson banging her head might not be everybody's idea of a cultural experience, of video sound and vision to

great effect.
I particularly liked the spec-tacle of one young man walking through the streets of a great city, clutching a pair of drumsticks and making music out of

nel 4) was concerned with the entitled Rene and Georgette innovative use of video in Magritte After the War, which television. The most important employed the sort of domestiaspect of video is its cheapness: cated surrealism which is one of

Of course the standards of ordinary television are derived from its status as a populist medium and from its less happy role as a devourer of money, the expensiveness of production may mean that a great deal of would otherwise find working rubbish is given only a bright visual gloss, but it does also mean that the work of some of these video artists necessarily looks slightly amateurish or even tatty.

Many of the video-artists themselves comment explicitly on cooventional television. generally by parodying it. And the fact that most of these films of inventiveness in a few of them, but idany were highly imaginative. One film of a man spraying his ampit with deode.

The decided inventiveness in a few of the fact that most of these films are also very short prompts one to make an analogy with the notorious dwarf on the shoulders of the giant; video-art is in the same position with orthodox television, and sometimes it can see further - it can see but there were other artists who into the future, when the used the slightly plastic quality medium will be as ubiquitous and as little regarded as the streets upon which we walk, The video-makers may then become the pavement artists of their period - a distinct and not dishonourable position.

Peter Ackroyd

Concerts

Barnstorming brilliance

PLG Young Artists

Purcell Room It is appropriate that the Park

Lane Group's annual offering of "Young Artists and Twentieth-Century Music" (10 recitals in five frenetic evenings) should be scenes where Osborne appears to be trying, notably that for Satan and his four potential London's first major concert series of each new year. Its heady harnessing of talented performers to stimulating repertoire invariably persuades one to look to the future optimistically even if, regrettably, experience suggests that most of these performers will need to modify their adventurous instincts considerably to earn their crust round the country's music

It would be a pity if the pianist Nicholas Unwin ever played safe, for he opened the series with a barnstormer of a recital: three ferociously diffi-cult works played with outstanding technical prowess and admirable energy. The only criticism could be that be made little of what moments of respite there were - the central Nocturne of Constant Lam-

instance, where the score's markings of "ironico" and "grottesco" suggested a rather more pronounced playfulness than Unwin had time for. Elsewhere, however, he tho-roughly caught the character of

fugatos along at a dazzling pace; larly notable.

projecting the Messiaen-like The violinist Lyn Fletcher
textural chunkiness of John and cellist Martin Loveday

observing how Turkish folk- the idiom. melodies presented by the solo flautist, Rachel Brown, were transformed by the choir of flutes (electronically doctored) on the accompanying tape.

The piece's clearly defined shape made following its unfolding a pleasurable experience - more than one can say for a savage conclusion.

Jean-Claude Risset's Passage for flute and tape, a tedious

bert's 1929 Piano Sonata, for procession of flute flurries set against the sort of taped background a skilled synthesizer player could "compose" as he went along. It was good, later, to bear Brown's more lyrical qualities, in Martinu's Flute and Piano Sonata, where the music whipping Lambert's Susan Tomes's stylish, springy jazzy and obsessively busy accompaniment was particularly notable.

McCabe's Variations and finally reserved their best playing for powering through Bartók's an impassioned and well-Piano Sonata with plenty of considered account of Kodaly's punchy accentuation.

The second recital brought a They made miscalculations.

first performance: Barry Guy's though not, mercifully, when Whistle and Flue, a bald title the Adagio soared gloriously for a beguiling and many into the stratosphere - but they layered work. The interest lay in also displayed a sure grasp of

The pair had seemed a little unsettled earlier in Honegger's Sonatine, another of these terrifying duos with aspirations to sound like a quartet. But they projected the bitter mood of Hanns Eisler's Duo well, building the melancholy dialogues to

Richard Morrison

les - by an arust, in nau.
Such qualities were especially appropriate.
Schumann's Sonata No 2 in Serenata .. seemed curiously

name in Britain, a situation which must be about to change if this recital is anything to go by.

Here was a superlative exhibition of violin-playing, a remarkable example of how an absolutely assured technique can be put to the service of the music in question. Zeitlin displayed a kind of anti-virtuosity which can only be achieved by a player with virtuoso resources who can preferring the music in this impulses thwarted by square impulses though its fistfulls through its fistfulls and its sense of pathos which of passagework and finding some sustained lyricism wheover the music gave him the chance. Bartók's early Andante of 1902 was sung with similarly made it sound easy, with serenity of tooe and line. Gordon Back's accompaniments were ideally supportive in their unobtrusive and purposed by with breathtaking poseful musicianship.

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Zvi Zeitlin is a fairly unfamiliar name in Britain, a situatinn

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virtuoso resources who can channel these towards central issues rather than peripheral

ones - by an artist, in fact. in evidence in Stravinsky's so-called Suite italienne, which is actually n violin-and-piano other later works (passionate Pukcinella, I found myself rather impulses thwarted by square-

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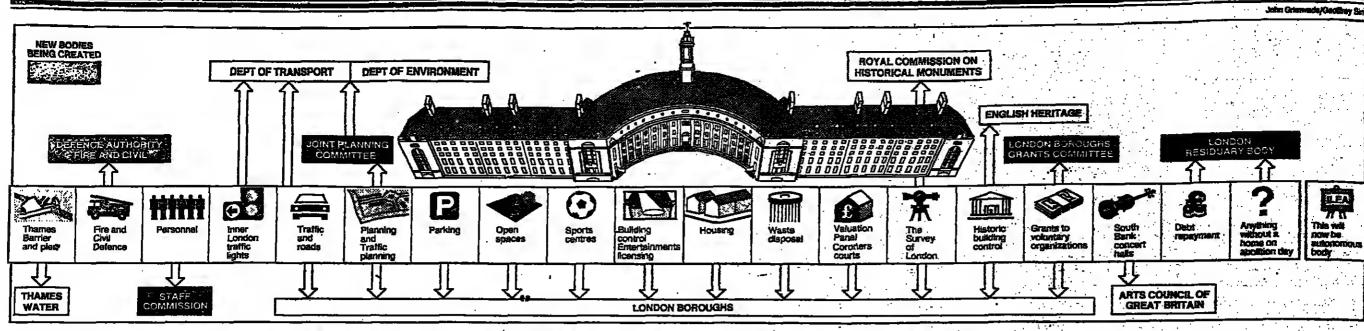
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SPECTRUM



Carving up the County Hall cake

ew issues have attracted as moch political hype as abolition of the Greater London Council. Few of the "pro" and "anti" claims are proving true as the fact of abolition goes ahead. Opponents' cries of "impossible", "disaster" are fading into mumbles of "pointless", "scrappy". Equally, millions oo joh creatioo and the Government's assurances that industrial development. They set up mounds of ratepayers' and tax— a women's committee and handed pavers' mooey would be saved, and a hefty slice of hureaucratic fat sliced away, are beginning to appear illfounded at the least.

For the public, who spent most of the abolitioo campaign assaulted by propaganda oo both sides, April l will come and go with little substantial impact. At most, people will suffer increased irritation with officials, unable to find out where they should telephooe to complain about faulty traffic lights, where to protest over the dustman's dumping route, or where their long-standing council mortgage is now being

The Bill, which only a year ago was still a potential source of embarrassing government climb-down, a focus for back-bench Conservative dissent and a platform for Labour complaint, has faded surprisingly rapidly into the political background. Since the Bill received royal asseot in the summer, councillors and officials have reluctantly accepted the inevitable and started preparing for the demolition of a tier of local government.

Functions are being devolved, though often in makeshift haste and with unseemly ioefficiency. It seems unlikely that the predictions of big city chaos on March 31 will be fulfilled: neither will the Government's projected (but never explained) 7,000 joh cuts and £50m-a-

The GLC was born 11 years ago out of the former London County Council, with outer boroughs added. Housed in County Hall, directly among boroughs with neighbouring actually responsible for only 11 per Merton, Barking, Kingston-npoocent of local government functions Thames and Sutton, which were the in London), until it became a thorn, only ones to gather enthusiastically in the Government's side under the to set up their own waste disposal left-wing regime of Mr Ken Living-

He took it over five years ago when it was carrying out an accented role running public transport, the fire hrigade, education in inner Londoo, parks, historic huildings, delaying decisions, to oblige Mr couocil housing, overall plaoning for Baker to impose a unitary authority, the capital, and a large proportion of and they one expect wasteful the capital, and a large proportion of and they now expect wasteful main roads. Most other functions confusion over the arbitrary borders:

huilding cootrols, cotertainments licensing, technical staff, architects, and intelligence an research

But the new Labour group turned the GLC into a national platform. They devised a Loodon Industrial out grants to ethnic minority groups. They bypassed the fact that the Home Office cootrols the Metropolitan Police, and set up a police unit to campaign. Even the Provisional IRA and Northern Ireland politics were deemed to affect Londoners and, therefore, the GLC.

Council housing was already being transferred, and the campaign for cheap fares led to tubes and buses being switched to a separate body. Loodoo Regional Transport. The Government decided, in the middle of the 1983 election campaign, that the rest had to go.

From April 1 all the GLC's formal functions will transfer to the boroughs, or to other bodies already

o who, and what, is going to replace the GLC? In Loodon, the key factor is political complexity. The minority of boroughs which are under Labour cootrol, mostly in the inner city, are attempting to keep as many functions intact in a city-wide form as possible. Their unarticulated aim is to leave in place a fragmented GLC on ice, ready to be reassembled and breathed back to life by a future Labour government.

Conservative boroughs, notably in outer London, appear intent on peeling off as much as possible from the centre. They want oo great conglomerate committees, which might acquire a spending will of their own: services should be settled Westminster across the and mutual interests, they argue, it was considered a Hence the so-called "secessionist backwater (it is now south" group of boroughs: Croydon,

Now the rest have been forced together into another six groupings by an order from Mr Kenneth Baker, the Eovironment Secretary. Labour councils had hoped, by delaying decisions, to oblige Mr were in support of other agencies: with 20,000 toooes of robbish to

On April 1, the Greater London Council, along with the six-

metropolitan counties, will be abolished and its functions devolved. But

what happens next? Will the shake-up be worth all the fuss?

spirit away each year, arguments between groups over dumping sites are inevitable.

Conflict resolution is mainly being left to the oewly-established Loodoo Consultative Committee. With a huilt-in Conservative majority of the 32 boroughs and the City of London, each with one representative, Labour repeatedly lose. Yet Londoners may be surprised to find that most strategic services will be centrally managed after next April, either by nominated boards, or by joint committees comprising appointed councillors from the boroughs.

The greatest uncertainty lies among the GLC's 21,500 employees. The 8,050 fire-fighters and back-up staff will transfer en bloc to the new boroughs, or to other bodies already London Fire and Civil Defence existing, or to new bodies being Authority (LFCDA) composed of nominated councillors, but Con-servatives are already airing the

possibility of a 10 per cent staff cut. About 3,700 will go to the oew directly-elected Inner London Education Authority, and the London Residuary Body says it will take 2,247, mostly finance administrators and clerical staff, Manual workers (4,000 of the remainder) are ment is determined to end the

expected to receive a guarantee from the Labour boroughs of work in parks, cleaning catering and supplies. But at least 6,500 white-collar staff are still unsure of their destination. A Staff Commission has been created to find jobs for those remaining by abolition day.

LC river operations, including the Thames Barrier and piers, will transfer with between 400 and 600 jobs to the Thames Water Anthority, an unelected body. Educational mu-seums and their staff, such as the Horniman and Geffrye museums, are going to the ILEA. The Arts Council will take over the South Bank, but is receiving an additional grant from the Government which is less than this year's GLC spending; the result will be up to 100 job cuts. While Mr Tony Banks, the GLC arts chairman, says arts will return to elitism, others look forward to losing political pantomimes, both meta-phorical and literal.

Most public cootroversy is likely to focus on grants to voluntary organizations. While the Governfunding of "loony groups", much pilloried over the five years of Ken Livingstone's rule, many charities are protesting that abolition threatens essential voluntary services.

A London Borough Grants Scheme has been established, against Labour expectations, based at the "lead" borough of Richmond. All participating boroughs pay a levy on population, with a committee comprising one representative councillor from each. A £24.6m budget for next year is deemed by some Conservative and Alliance represeotatives to be adequate for supporting the genuinely eligible London-wide bodies currently funded by the GLC. While they argue that only fringe and covertly political organizations face demise, the Labour-controlled Association of London Authorities (ALA) claims that cuts of up to £14m will hit arts groups particu-larly hard and force others to close or slim down.

An extra £13.8m is being provided by the Government towards local groups based in one borough, which they say is insufficient to take over £50m support from the GLC. Certainly the London Voluntary Service Council says some organizations are already planning to issue protective redundancy notices to

Mr Peter Bowness, Conservative chairman of the consultative committee, has accepted that the GLC's research and intelligence unit is a clear example of an organization that would be "more effectively handled by a Loudon-wide agency". But, in spite of the two politically opposed councils of Westminster and Islington putting forward joint proposals for a "lead" borough takeover, the committee was unable to agree, and the residuary body has been asked to take it over.

The 650-staff research function is widely reputed to be a model of its kind, providing essential infor-mation, study and statistics on every aspect of London life, which the boroughs have long relied upon without having to pay for it.

the Government has agreed to boroughs setting up a Lon-don Planning Committee, based at Havering, but it seems that the lead borough may take on no more than a dozen of the 900 staff employed by County Hall. Architects, building control experts and planners are set to be the biggest job losers in abolition. Proposals are in hand for Camden to take over traffic control operations.

The list of tasks likely to fall to the London Residuary Body grows ever longer. Originally intended as a transitional organization to tie up the loose ends of finance and administration over five years, it is increasingly being asked to adopt roles which the successor bodies. cannot resolve in the short time remaining.

The LRB, an appointed body chaired by Sir Godfiey Taylor, will spend more than £600m next year, £354m in servicing debts. Although 80 per cent will be recovered in charges, the body will have to raise £100m with a 5p rate precept.

Apart from managing GLC pensions, tackling the left-over legal problems, closing accounts, and paying out compensation and superannuation, the residuary body has the enormous task of disposing of about 10,000 GLC buildings and 60,000 home loans worth £350m.

Buildings not transferred to successors will be sold off and the profits used to pay for transition. County Hall itself is the sobject of incessant rumour but no decision: the ILEA will move into part of it (incidentally having to build a

complete new canteen system), but the grand edifice facing Westminster across the river could yet end up in the hands of the Inland Revenue, or become an hotel and entertainment

control which body) will be decided by the electorate in May, when boroughs hold all-out elections and new authorities hold their first.

thers will be unaffected by voting because they are woting because they are appointed (the Joint Plan-ing Commission, Thumes Water, Arts Council, Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission) but will face tighter cash limits. The LFCDA is facing cuts and Conservative leaders are still in private talks with Mr Baker in an attempt to raise spending limits.

Changes in the grant system have, however, switched £185m extra into London, particularly the inner boroughs. Although ministers say the shift is technical, it is widely seen as an attempt to oil the wheels of abolition, keep rate bills down, and sweeten the pill for voters and householders.

The only real financial loss to the inner boroughs, mostly Labour-controlled, will be stress borough finding in general they sain from the expanded London rate equalization scheme, which transfers money from the richer boroughs like Westminster to the poorer, Tower Hamiets, for example, will see its grant almost treble because it is taking on around half of the GLC's former housing stock;

It will, therefore, take several years to calculate the cost or savings of abolition, and claims by either political side should be viewed with

It is hard to avoid the conclusion that, when historians look back on GLC abolition, it will be seen as a huge exercise in political cyaicism on every side. Conservatives will maintain that abolition was justified by scrapping a tier of government which held undue prominence, when it only has direct responsibility for 11 per cent of London's service spending in local government. Labour will argue that it was a high price to pay for demolishing Ken Livingstone's power base.

The voters will be forgiven, once the GLCs "out with a bang" firework display on March 31 is over, for wondering what all the fuss was about.

Colin Hughes

Tangled lines cross the troubled Heath

Of the thousands of separate properties owned by the Greater London Council, Hampstead Heath is proving by far the hardest to get rid of The Government's abolition blueprint says that open spaces owned by the GLC should be switched after abolition to the barough councils in whose areas they lie. Hampstead Heath, north London, is crossed by the boundaries of three boroughs - two Labour-controlled and one run by

The Government tried last year to sidestep the tangle by splitting the heath between English Heritage and the Corporation of London. English Heritage, a quango set np to manage most of the Govern-ment's stock of castles and historic mansions, was to take on Kenwood House and grounds, Georgian home of the Iveagh Bequest. The remaining 700 acres of the heath were to go



Moving home: Kenwood House

to the corporation, the non-party council for the City of London. It already manages thousands of acres of open space, including Epping Forest for other councils.

Conservative-controlled Barnet council agreed, as long as it could keep Golders Hill Park, on the edge of the heath, for itself. But Labourcontrolled Camden and Haringey

rejected the City, and Haringey supported Camden's proposal for a special Hampstead committee of councillors and co-opted wildlife and landscape experts. Camden says its case is the

stongest because its area includes more than three-quarters of the heath. So far only the Kenwood part of the Government's plan has been agreed: English Heritage will definitely take over the house, its grounds and concert programme in

As the argument continues, it looks as if the heath will spend the first year of its life after abolition in the hands of the London Residuary Body, the quango set up to settle GLC assets, staff and tasks for which no new bomes have been found on abolition day.

Hugh Clayton

Stepping down from the front line

Lord Scarman may be leaving the bench, but the 'people's judge' will continue to campaign

When Lord Scarman retires next week, the law lords will lose one of those rare law-makers who can deservedly be called

for civil liberties

a "people's judge".

Few can forget the sight —
unprecedented for a judge – of
his tall, slightly stooped figure
walking the streets of Brixton. talking with ease, warmth and concern to young blacks in the aftermath of the 1981 riots into which he chaired an inquiry.

And when he returned to the front line there three years later to see if relations between the community and police had improved, he was greeted as a long-lost friend and invited to join the management board of the Afro-Caribbean Clob.

Within the legal profession, too, he is widely admired. A colleague said yesterday: "I'm very sorry to see him go; he's the best we've got." His contribution, the colleague said, had been great chiefly "to hring a wider social and political dimension to the law; pot things in a context wider than the strictly legalistic one".

After Lord Denning, Leslie

Scarman is perhaps the best known of the country's senior judiciary and, also like the former Master of the Rolls, one of the few who can be said to ave a common touch.

Although be is retiring as the

senior law lord, chief of the nine judges who sit to constitute the highest court in the land, it is in extra-judicial work that he has chiefly made his reputation, sitting as an approachable, unpompous and fair chairman of four commissions of inquiry into social and public disorder: Northern Ireland io 1969; the



Lord Scarman: championing a Bill of Rights

Red Lion Square riots in 1974; the Granwick dispute in 1977 and the Brixton disorders in

His report on the Brixton disorders had the most wideranging impact: he arged statutory police community consulta-tive committees, reforms to the police complaints procedures, access by lay visitors to police stations and the doctrine of "positive discrimination" to be enshrined in law.

Most of his proposals are now law, and when the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 was passing through Parlia-ment, it was Lord Scarman's amendment that made racial discrimination by the police a specific disciplinary offence. Partly because of his public role, and partly because of his own beliefs and commitment to

individual rights, he has also been one of the most political indges, in the widest social sense. A long-time champion of a Bill of Rights for this country, he will become the first judge in

living memory to introduce a bill into the House of Lords which will incorporate into English law the civil rights set out in the European Convention on Human Rights. Although retiring as a law lord, he will be freer to continue the campaign to press that bill through the

calling for the repeal of the discredited section 2 of the Official Secrets Act "lock, stock and barrel", and its replacement with a Freedom of Information Act. The right to know and obtain information, he argues, is too important to be left to ministerial discretion.

A law lord since 1977, colleagues say he would have been senior law lord earlier – been senior law lord earner—and his infinence greater—had his predecessor, Lord Diplock, who died last year, not held the post for as long as he did. Brought up only a mile from Brixton, in Streatham, Lord Scarman went to Oxford as a cleanical scholar was called to classical scholar, was called to the Bar in 1936; became a High Court indge in 1961 and an appeal court judge in 1973.

mark, as has his style of writing and oratory, praised by col-leagues as "elegant, graceful and effective". His line was usually the more socially liberal one: in the recent test case. brought by Victoria Gillick over a doctor's right to prescribe the pill, Lord Scarman was one of three in favour of the Department of Health's appeal; the other two backed Mrs Gillick.

A firm believer in judges not outstaying their welcome, he is retiring six months short of his 75th hirthday in July, parity, it is believed, because his wife is not in good health. There is no obvious successor to inherit his "people's judge" mantle and he will be much missed.

Frances Gibb

His judgments - often dis- Tomorrow: twelve good men-senting from the majority - and true - the defendant's nonetheless have made their right to challenge jurors

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

Hunt for a lost generation

In America where 15 per

cent of teenagers are unlikely to see adulthood. missing children agencies

are burgeoning.

Their success could help launch a nationwide

search centre in Britain

Who has seen Jonelle Matthews, 12 years old, 5ft 3in tall, with brown eyes and braces on her teeth? She was wearing slippers and probably watching television m her home in Greeley, Colorado, on December 20, a year ago;

no one has seen her since.
Or Mallory Elizabeth Sutton, two months old, 23 inches long, with large dimples and a cowlick in the centre of her forehead", left in the care of a new baby sitter in Coppell, Texas, last

Or eight-year-old Tammy L. Belanger, last seen at Sam on November 13, 1984. in Exeter, New Hampshire, carrying a red back-pack with her name on it as she set out for school?

Their pictures, smiling family snaps or formal school photographs, peer out from milk cartons, grocery carrier bags, television screens, collars around bottle necks and labels on packages across the whole of America. It's part of a new and rapidly intensifying move to find some of the 1.8 million children reported missing each year.

Most of these children are abducted by separated parents in custody battles and disappear across state lines into anonymity, or are running away from home, in which case many return or are discovered within a few days.

If the children don't come home within about 72 hours, says the National Centre for Missing and Exploited Children, in Washington, then the chances begin to rise that something tragic will have befallen them.

In Philadelphia, they have drawn up a profile of the most common of their 6,000 annual runaways: aged 15 and female, probably physically or sexually abused at home and if not retrieved fast, virtually certain to be exploited as a prostitute or involved in child pornogra-

phy.
Estimates vary wildly, but somewhere between 6,000 and 50,000 children missing at this moment are said to fall into the "stranger abduction category taken by pornographers, paedophiles, dealers in black market babies or childless women desperate for a baby of their own. Only two or three a year are kidnapped for ransom. Very few of the rest are ever seen or heard of again, though false leads send frantic parents on desperate searches throughout the country. Few children are found alive.

Evan, six, vanished as he walked the 150 yards to school

Uotil recently, part of the nightmare of parents who suddenly realized that their child had vanished was that they had no one to turn to. Police departments were often reinctant to take. serious steps until a case of abduction had been clearly proved. By then valuable hours, in which a kidnapper, whether parent or stranger, could cross into a neighbouring state, were lost in jurisdictional muddles and foot-dragging inquiries.

Then two particular cases stirred up public feeling. In Soho, Manhattan, in New York, a six-year-old boy called Evan Patz disappeared as he walked the 150 yards from his front door to school and no amount of scarching revealed any trace of him. And in Florida a second six-year-old vanished: Adam Walsh, shopping with his mother in a large department store and left alone for eight minutes in the toy department while she went to buy a lamp. Two weeks later, his severed head was fished

out of a canal 100 miles away. It was the public campaigning by the anguished parents of these two children

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Message with the milk: part of the American find-a-child campaign

that did much to push for the Missing Children's Home lannched its appeal for Children's Act of 1982. This, in turn, has meant that the FBI will now enter cases of missing children on to its

In the last couple of years some 100 self-help groups have started up around the US, with names like Child Find or the Society for Young Victims, many run hy parents in search of their own

In June 1984 the National Centre for Missing and Exploited Children was set up in Washington with full federal funds. It opened with 25 members of staff, and now has 50, coping with some 600 calls every day and recording everything from new cases to what it calls "sightings" of possible missing children 6,472 in the last three month period alone - on to a computer.

One of the Centre's plans is to try to make sense of the figures, attempt to work out how many of the 1.8 million children are runaways, and how many have been taken by separated or divorced parents. Only then will the size of the kidnapping epidemic really

Confusion over the figures of missing children is explained in America by the nature of a society which recently forecast that, taking into account suicides, drugs, murders and sexual abuses some 15 per cent of its teenagers were unlikely to see a productive adulthood".

The figures for such children in Britain are not much clearer, even if, in comparison, they are extremely small. It is known that 25,000 missing people were reported to London police stations last year. Those not found within 48 hours were then recorded on the Metropolitan Police Missing Persons Bureau's computer, which logs most, but not all, of the cases that occur throughout the country.

At any one moment, the computer holds some 2,000 names, of which 10 to 12 per cent are under 17, together with all available details of physical appear ance, under 167 different categories. But there is no formal review of success rates, so no one can say precisely how many of the 20 or so children missing at

any one time stay missing or are found. It is to try to establish precise figures as well as provide a "mutual and neutral contact point" that the National

30%-40% OFF

it will offer the NCH publicity space at cost price at bus and rail stations.

Despite this campaign it will be some time before the scale of advertising for lost children begins to approach the

£500,000 before Christmas. British Transport Advertising has already said

American phenomenon. There, ABC television's Good Mnrning America, the most popular breakfast show, puts out pictures of two kidnapped children every Friday morn-

REWARD MISSING FROM COPPELL, TEXAS

APPROXIMATELY



MALLORY ELIZABETH SUTTON Age: 2 Months Hair: Brownish Red Eves: Blue

Weight: 11 lbs. Length: 23 Inches Large Dimples, Cowlick in center of forehead, vein on the left side of the bridge of her nose.

Poster appeal: missing baby

ciation includes photographs of missing children with the bills they send to 54 million homes. Some 150 companies and organizations are currently contacting the National Centre each week with offers to display pictures of those

The advertising programme is not without its critics, however, who argue that publicity of this kind can only serve to terrify children unnecessarily. But it has been paying off: in Los Angeles, seven out of 16 children featured on milk cartons not long ago have been returned to their families. It may not bring back the kidnapped but for runaways, at least, the intensity of such appeals can aet as spurs to draw them

The National Centre, which arranges for much of the poster and television campaigns, also reports successes: 1,653 children whose cases it has been in some way involved in have been recovered. It stresses that none of its work is designed to replace the investigations of the

And the public, of course, have responded: when Joselle Matthews' parents started a letter-writing cam-paign, 10,000 people joined in, while 700 more volunteered to be included in a one-day search of the neighbourhood.

Kyle disappeared ten years ago. His parents still leave him notes

Evan Patz's parents are still receiving about 1,000 leads a year, the most recent, earlier this month, from Israel. ike the others, it took them nowhere. Not surprisingly, perhaps, the publicity has led to spin-offs, some of them mare inventive than effective. number of firms have come up with identifying microchips, designed to be attached to children's teeth or implanted in. their feet. Others offer \$2,500 computer print-outs that can project from a photograph what a child will look like when he is older, or sell bleeper systems primed to squeak if a child moves out of a given radius from home. There are even insurance policies, guaranteeing mass publicity if a child

Jeanne Dillon, one of the National Centre's seven technical advisers and a former policewoman, points out that none of these can actually do much to recover a lost child. Though hardened by years of police work to a great deal of human disaster, she finds some of the cases upsetting to handle, especially when they concern teenage children the

same age as her own. Part of last autumn had been spent trying to trace a boy who disappeared while on holiday in Switzerland after having telephoned his parents to tell them that he was going climbing. That was in July. He was never heard from again. Local police, Interpol and the boy's father searched the mountains, advertised and offered immense rewards. There was a report that he had gone off with some "military types". Then one day, many weeks laler, two Spanish climbers saw a body in a

This kind of outcome, a simple if tragic accident, is, says Jeanne Dillon, extremely unusual. Mostly the children are never found; there are not even any traces to suggest where they have gone and therefore no reason, ever, to stop

"The waiting; that is the worst part" she says. "Parents are held hostage in time. They wait. They cannot get on with their own lives. When Christmas comes along, they huy the child a present in case he should suddenly be found and they have nothing for him. Knowing, even that the child is dead, is better than that."

Kyle is a boy who disappeared from his house on January 27, 1976; today, almost exactly 10 years later, his parents leave a note pinned to the fridge whenever they go oot, telling him where they have gone.

And in Des Moines, lowa, Noreen

and John Gosch, whose son John David never returned from his paper round on Sunday, September 5, 1982, keep his room exactly as it was, except for a suitcase, packed with some clothes, in case they receive a call telling them to come and pick him up.

Gingering up the taste buds with a touch of old spice

How quickly we take new ingredients for granted and come to rely on regular supplies of commodities once thought rare and exotic. Elizabeth David's remark that "green root ginger, so import-ant in Chinese, Malay and Indian cooking, is hard to come by", written in 1970, is a reminder of how difficult it was to assemble the ingredients for a occent curry no great time

Of course, ginger has been a popular spice in English kitchens since it arrived on these shores with the Romans. They hrought us pepper, too. Then ginger, like pepper, was used with all manner of other spices in sauces and made-up dishes of meat, and the persistent notion that spices were used to disguise tainted flesh is not without some historical foundation. The 18th-century cookery writer Hannah Glasse advised washing too-high venison with milk and water then rubbing it with beaten ginger.

The practice of sprinkling ground ginger on melon is almost as old-fashioned for, as Elizabeth David records in Spices, Salt and Aromatics in the English Kitchen, "in my childhood it was customary to hand round a bowl of powdered ginger when melon was served as a first course for lunch. The ginger was necess-ary, we were told, to counteract the chilling effects of melon."

The ginger called for in those old recipes is always dried ginger root, whole or ground, or sugar-preserved ginger which is crystallized or soaked in syrup. As everyone now knows, fresh green ginger has a livelier, more complex taste than the dried spice.

Even better, because it is crisp and tender with none of the woodiness of most green ginger, is "new seasoo's" ginger - the first of the year's crop which appears in Hong Kong markets in the autumn. This must be the kind that is used for crystallizing and I do not suppose it will be long before some enterprising importer brings it here, too. With green ginger, old or new season's, we can enjoy the spice's subtleties as well as its heat.

If it is reasonably fresh when you buy it, green ginger will keep for several weeks in the salad compartment of a refrigerator. Buy small quantities at a time and wrap it closely with plastic film. To prepare ginger for use in recipes, peel it with a sharp knife before chopping, graving, slicing or crushing the flesh.

Ginger and saffron were combined in Roman recipes and the combination still works today. Serve this delicate sauce with grilled or steamed fish or poultry. It is particularly, good with scallops.

Ginger and saffron sauce Serves 4 to 6 300ml (½ pint) chicken stock, very lightly salted.

2 tablespoons finely chopped 1 clove gartic, finely chopped

2cm (V₄in) cube fresh green ginger, finely chopped 120ml (4fl oz) dry white wine

Large pinch saffron 300ml (1/2 pint) double cream 30g (1nz) butter, chilled

Put the stock in a saucepan with the shallot, garlic, ginger and wice and bring to the boil Allow the liquid to reduce slowly to about 150ml (4 pint) and straio it.

Heat the saffron in a ladle or

d pick him up.

Caroline Moorehead

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tablespoons of stock or hot water and leave it to soak for five minutes.

Return the reduced stock to the rinsed pan and add the cream and saffroo with its liquid. Allow the sauce to simmer and reduce a little more before whisking in the butter in small pieces. Season the sauce to taste with salt and, if you want to intensify the ginger flavour, add a little fresh ginger juice made by crushing a small piece of ginger in a garlic

This sauce may be made in advance and cooled. Reheat it. stirring, in a bain-marie or a bowl set over hot water.

Gingering up steamed fish is another excellent use for the fresh spice. Whole fish, cutlets or steaks can all be cooked the same way with small adjustments to the cooking times. Alternatively, the fish may be cooked between two plates set over a pan of boiling water.

Trout with green ginger Serves 4

1 tablespoon oil 4 fresh trout, about 225g (8oz)

2cm (3/4 in) cube fresh ginger 4 spring onlons Salt and freshly ground black

pepper 4 tablespoons fish stock or dry white wine

Cut four large ovals of baking parchment or greaseproof paper at least 15cm (6in) longer than the length of the trout. Fold them in half lengthwise, then open them out and brush the inside of each paper with the oil.

Clean the trout, removing the fins and trimming the tails but leaving the heads. Slice the ginger and spring onious very finely and sprinkle half of each on the papers. Put one trout on each paper and top with the remaining ginger and spring onion, pepper, salt and a spoonful of fish stock or wine.

Fold the paper over the fish, pleating the edges to form loose parcels. Start by turning the paper over twice or more on one side and working round.

Heat a baking tin or dish for five minutes in a preheated hot oven (230°C/450°F, Gas mark 8). Put the parcels on the heated dish and return it to the oven for about 10 minutes. Serve the fish in its parcel.

Devilled chicken liver paste made with fresh ginger can be served hot or cold. Either way, offer plenty of hot fresh toast.

Devilled chicken liver paste Serves 4

225g (8oz) chicken livers Salt and freshly ground black

2cm (¾in) cube fresh green ginger 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper 55g (2oz) butter

2 tablespoons madeira or sherry Clarified butter to cover, see

Clean the chicken livers of veius and any greenish patches stained by the bitter-tasting gall bladder; mix the cleaned livers in a bowl with a little pepper and salt. Crush the peeled ginger in a garlic press and add it to the bowl. Refrigerate the livers for about two hours.

Melt the butter in a sauté pan and fry the livers briefly. They should be brown on the outside and still pink in the centre. Put the livers and butter into

processor or blender together with the madeira or sherry and work them to a smooth paste. Adjust the seasoning to your taste. Transfer the paste to one or more serving dishes -straight-sided pots or ramekios are best - and serve immediately or leave them until quite cold before sealing the pots with melted clarified hutter. Spices, Salt and Aromatics in

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Ever had that sinking feeling?

middle: Times Profile of Sir John Cuckney chairman of Westland



TOMORROW

Man in the

Cookery Practical Cookery Classes The Cordon Bleu Cookery School announces the start of their Spring Programme of popular short courses for the cook/hostess. Courses range from a haif or one day a week course for 6-12 weeks to a concentrated 1 week, introductory or advanced

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When the mirror de-tached itself from the

wall and proceeded to demolish the washhand hasin I was not unduly perturbed; like myself snme 30
years of married life had
chipped it a little. Moreover I
had an insurance policy specifically designed for this type of catastrophe. My wife and I set forth on the

replacement trail and found ourselves in a large emporium that was stocked with every type of toilet requisite. At first we failed to attract any marked interest, but eventually a lan-inspection. He then departed gaid young man emerged.

washhand basin and soon he the plumber's vocahulary it and my wife were engaged in a meant Tuesday fortnight. He highly technical discussion.

I felt a little redundant and an assistant called Alfie who quietly mused over a bath that had evidently been designed for

Elizabeth Taylor. I was recalled from my day-dreams hy my wife of a previous one might sound whn had apparently found the basin which fitted all her requirements. I asked the price. The young man evidently the wall, ripping up floorboards, despised by plebeian outlook and letting quantities of water and murmured a figure that drip through to the floor below.

caused me to sit down heavily on After three days of joyous

the installation. There are a gaping hole welcomed in the myriads of plumbers in the east wind. We now required a Yellow Pages, but either they builder.

PERSON

cally designed for this type of next five years. Eventually I prepared to undertake work. He promised to appear within the

my telephone bill he eventually arrived and carried out an and promised to be back en He was surprised to hear we Tuesday. I foolishly thought had actually come to purchase a this meant next Tuesday but in daly turned up accompanied by was obviously operating order

After considerable inflation of

"L" plates. Replacing a basio on the site easy. Wrong. It involves stripping a considerable amount of plaster, making a new bale in the wall, ripping up floorboards,

a nearby toilet accessory. My wife said it was rather dear but, after all, we were insured. I myself to survey the battlefield. The basin looked resplendent was Round two consisted of but above it the wall was obtaining a plumber to carry out stripped of plaster and below it the installation. There are

Builders, like plu thick on the ground but consider that any work costing less than £50,000 is unworthy of their profession. Eventually contact was made. Again the process of inspection and respectful inter val was observed but, in doc

coorse, the work was done. It was now necessary to re-decorate. This followed the same pattern and suffice to say it was duly completed.

I relaxed - but too soon

had forgatten the mirror. We decided to cut out middlemen and went straight to the factory. We were warmly welcomed by the manager who was under the impression that we were about to place an order for a Sandi-Arabian sheikh. We explained ne only wanted a plain mirror 33ins by 26ins. There was a distinct cooling off in his manner and he rang for Mr Dodds. Mr Dodds was dressed in dirty nveralls and we were committed to his care. We inspected the mirrors available and placed our order.

The mirror duly arrived and is sitting in the hall. My friends say it is an excellent idea for inspecting your shoes. I am trying to find a handyman - but not too hard because with an expenditure of £874 to date I can't afford another disaster. Meanwhile the insurance company have admitted my claim and I gaze at their cheque for £197. The balance they say is for

betterment.



THE TIMES DIARY

Savage attack

I have news for London Weekend Television, which has reported Clive Ponting's solicitor Brian Raymond to the Law Society for alleged to the Law Society for aneged "behaviour not befitting the pro-lession": the complaint has been rejected. The row was over Ray-mond's representation of Wendy Savage, the London obstetrician and "low-lecb birth" advocate who was suspended pending an inquiry into her handling of five maternity cases. Last autumn, LWT negotiated a deal with Raymond to interview Mrs Savage, agreeing in return in let her know of other material it would be using in the report. Last month, however, after costly research, Raymond withdrew cooperation, announcing that there was now time only for an exclusive pre-inquiry interview with the BBC's Panorama. Rejecting the complaint, the Law Society stated: "Whatever one's views of Mr Raymond's conduct on the level of personal morality," there was no evidence of professional misconduct. Civil action for alleged breach of contract remains open to LWT. Raymond points out that he has acted purely as a mouthpiece for Mrs Savage. Meanwhile London Weekend - which wants to press its case further - will show its report, minus Mrs Savage, on Friday.

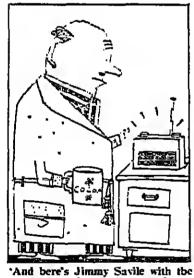
Play the game

Yesterday I reported that Kent Opera was refused a British Council grant to perform Mozart's *The Marriage of Figuro* at the Vienna Festival because Mozart was a foreigner. Opera North, it seems, was more clued up. It applied for £12,000 to perform both Verdi's Aida and Englishman Sir Michael Tippett's The Midsummer Marriage at the Wiesbaden festival and has received the grant in full.

Well connected

Desperation seems to have set in at GCHQ, A student from King's College, Cambridge, tells me he was buttonholed at the GCHQ stand at the recent university graduate recruitment fair and was told he really would enjoy working at Chellenham. The student pointed out that his mother was Hungarian. No matter, said the pinstriped gentleman. Anxious to escape, the student pointed out he had cousins in the Czech and Hungarian communist parties. "That is not necessarily a drawback," said the man. But I speak no foreign languages," pleaded the student. No matter, said the man, adding that he knew only Latin and Greek. The student finally fled, unpressganged.

BARRY FANTONI



stock market closing report

Ad and detract

The Communist Party is outraged. The Comminee for the Defence of the Scottish Steel Industry placed a half-page ad in Monday's Daily Telegraph seeking donations for a publicity campaign to save Garicosh. This listed as supporters every political party in Scotland save the Communists - even though they have been very active campaigners. "It's a piece of bloody nonsense. If it's deliberate it's even worse," says the CP's Scottish industrial organizer, John Kay, who is registering an official complaint. Keith Bill of Union Communications, the PR firm handling the campaign, denies that the CP was omitted lest it put off Telegraph readers. "It simply slipped my mind," he insists.

Grounded

Talk about a sore point: the MoD yesterday called off a press briefing on heavy and medium lift helicop-ters, due to have been held tomorrow at RAF Odiham in Hampshire - because it was thought "not the right time in the present circumstances." An RAF spokesman told me: 'I am not going to spell it out. I am not going to say any more It is not an issue we want to get bound up in." And the word Westland never passed his lips.

Scrap of paper.

The GLC must have thought it had got off lightly when the outspoken Charles Osborne, who has just completed an unhappy stint as Arts Council literature director, meekly agreed to sign an undertaking never to visit South Africa - a condition for conducting a public interview with Kenneth Williams in the GLCowned Festival Hall. Osborne, however, tells me be views the undertaking as binding as "a promise to Goebbels not to visit Palestine in order to hire the Berlin Philharmonic Hall. His knowledge of modern history seems a hit shaky, but I take his point.

Ban that could wreck cricket

Anti-apartheid opinion has been unanimous in welcoming the Bangladesh government's decision to refuse entry to four members of the England B cricket team, whose tour was to have started this week. But the decision was wrong, inept and could have disastrous consequences for the anti-apartheid cause.

I do not think that politics can be "kept out" of sport. Nor do I accept that sportsmen visiting South Africa can ignore the wider implications of their actions and claim they are merely "doing their jnb". I believe that the way to end apartheid in South Africa is through the pressure nf world opininn and the isolatinn nf the

apartheid regime. But the Bangladesb action is gesture politics of the worst kind, meaningless and futile, and its targets wrongly ebosen and ill-defined. The fnur singled nut by the Bangladesh government as unacceptable include the Gloucestershire batsman, Bill Athey. Yet be hated South Africa and all its works so much that on his noly visit there be stayed for nnly five days and broke his enntract to return bnme.

Chris Smith, the South African-born Hampshire batsman, does not appear on any United Nations blacklist. Yet there were those in the touring party with far stronger South African connections to whom Bangla-desh bas ant objected. What's more, the England side was in have included three black cricketers among its 14 members,

by Nigel Williamson

making it the most multi-racial English side

Public opinion in Britain has hardened against South Africa so strongly in recent months that, in the absence of government action, big business is imposing vuluntary more top players, particularly black sanctions - the recent decision by several cricketers who would be denied much of supermarket chains not to stock South

African goods, is nne clear example.

At a time of such progress, the Bangladesh decision can only be counter-productive both in terms of mobilizing British public opinion and in persuading the English cricket authorities to take a stronger line against their own players who choose to visit South Africa. Not surprisingly, the reaction of the Test and County Cricket Board has been to dig its heels in.

A potentially serious problem arises. The main England tour party to the West Indies includes a number of players with much closer sporting links with South Africa than some of thuse deemed unacceptable in Bangladesh. Yet the secretary of the West Indies cricket board says he has "firm assurances from all our governments that all members of the England party are

acceptable". In the light of the Bangladesh decision, Trinidad, and perbaps other countries, are likely to reconsider those assurances. Third World politics may make it difficult for

them to appear to be outflanked by Bangladesh. Cancellation of the West Indies tour could well herald the breakdown of international cricket, resulting in a new apartheid in which white nations played only other white nations and black nations played only black.

That would in turn mean that more and their money-earning potential, would be lured by South African rands to ply their trade there. That cannot be what the Bangladesh government wants.

The Gleneagles Agreement requires Commonwealth governments to discourage individual players from contact with South Africa. In Britain neither the government nor the TCCB actively pursues this agreement. Other governments must therefore put pressure on them.

Rather than penalize individuals, Bangladesh should be firring the British government and the TCCB to do what they bave so far been able to avoid committing themselves to a clear view on the Gleneagles Agreement. Bangladesh should be demanding that either the agreement is really made to work – as it has been by Bob Hawke in Australia – or that it is remunced. Renunciation would leave Britain isolated. Pressure to force that chnice is the only kind nf pressure which will bring results.

The author is editor of Tribune.

John Redwood on the real issues to be faced during Industry Year

Britain can make it-if we make changes

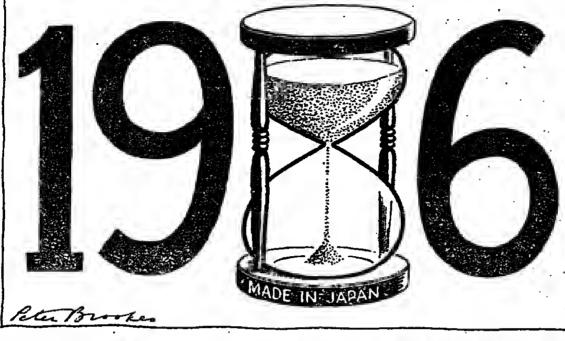
This is Industry Year. The prophets of gloom will doubtless be nut in force for its celebration. We will be told that even though we have enjoyed a strong balance of pay-ments surplus every year since 1979, we should worry over the deficit in manufacturing. The decline in industrial employment and the increased proportion of jobs in the service sector will be elicated as evidence of impending disaster. People will point to closures and to the replacement of men by machines as proof that manufacturing is on the way down and even out, and that the government does not care. Many people believe that manufacture, and manufacture alone,

generates "real" wealth. They feel that demand is inadequate, that we are not investing enough and the pound is too high. Oh for a government that understood, that would subsidise more, lower the pound, spend more, and stop the growth of services, by law if

If Industry Year is about giving prominence to arguments such as these, about making them industry's authentic voice, we would be better off without it. You should beware the industrialist who always believes his plight is the product of external forces, and never the result of his own decisions.

Take the question of demand How can it be the case both that national income is at a new record. and that industry is experiencing too little demand? The shop tills at Christmas rang more merrily than ever. Consumer expenditure rises year after year - currently more than 60 per cent of total demand in the economy and reaching a new record

Yet British industry does not always succeed in responding to that demand. In 1974, when the market for new cars was no higher than in 1984. UK producers made 1.5 million cars. In 1984 they made 900,000. It was not demand that let them down: it was the attractiveness



of their product compared to the eompetition. Nor had been stinted in trying to foreign redesign British Leyland's model

range.
This Christmas people were busy buying Japanese hi-fis and cameras, German electrical appliances, imported clothes and toiletries, because they thought them better or because there was no British equivalent. The height of my Yuletide dismay came when I opened up a package containing a garden trowel and fork - sturdy, well-designed, and made in

Nor has investment demand been slack. The year just ended was a record year for total investment and re-equipping - using other people's hardware. You see new German, Italian and Japanese machines on the shop floor, American computers and production control systems.

The idea that only making things creates wealth is one I've never understood - any product or service that can be sold for more than its cost generates income and wealth. Part of "the decline of manufacturing" and the "rise of services" comes from a change in definitions rather than any real shift. If a manufacturer decides to place his advertising with an agency, his computing with a bureau, and his legal work with an external firm of solicitors, where before the work was done in-house, the statistics will tell you manufacturing has declined.

Nor is it possible to divorce manufacture from the provision of a

service. What use is a pile of nuts but you also push up the cost of and bolts in Sbeffield unless someone can transport them, advertise them, sell them and use them? Each process is related and each adds value. A computer without software, a washing machine with no service engineers, cars without petrol stations, would be products of little value or use.

That is not to say we should relax and say that all is for the best in the the demand that is there. Both consumer and investment demand is fickle. The top 10 toys this consumer credit are growing strong-Christmas sold in huge numbers: ly. there were fewer consolation prizes So why not make Industry. Year if you did not produce one of them. 'the year when industry responds year as new stars arise.

Few British retailers encourage and keeping up with changes in taste British manufacture: a more active and fashion are what is needed, interest in product development Perhaps a little more loyalty to jointly between maker and seller would help. Industry has to innovate, and start to encourage itself. If more British manufacturers sought capital equipment from the larger UK engineering companies, for example, we might have a larger steel industry.

It is often not just a question of price. Many imports sell not because they are the cheapest, but because people like them and they are The author was head of the Prime available. If you lower the value of Minister's Policy Unit, 1983 to 85. the pound you may discourage people from buying foreign goods

imported raw materials and increase inflation. You may cut total purchasing power as well. It is a device that has failed before to arrest the decline of the manufacturing

The money is there to spend on innovation and new products. Profit growth has been strong for several years. Real returns on investment are higher than during most of the 1970s. Companies will have more best of possible worlds, it has taken 1970s. Companies will have more too long to hit a new high in industrial output, and in some areas industry has not taken advantage of in 1986, liquidity is good, and the corporate sector is using its bank facilities to the full. Retail sales and

Some of them will be forgotten next more widely to demand? Good design, good service, good quality fellow industrialists when selecting the company car and equipment

would also help.

Can it really be more economic to ship a garden trowel all the way from Japan? And will more than had the British public always prefer a foreign car? These are the real questions which all those of us who wish industry well must ponder in Industry Year.

Christianity's long march to survival

dilemmas as it prepares to send £45,460 to Christians in China to discharge a 40-year-old obligation. Should money be given to a church controlled, as it is, by the Commu-nist Party? And if strings are attached, will suspicions be aroused in Peking that foreigners are attempting to regain imperialist

In 1947 the primates of Canter-bury and York collected £75,000 to help the Anglican Church in China. Only one third had been spent by 1949, when the Communists came to power. While Chinese Christians endured decades of Maoist persecution the Church's board of finance invested the remaining

Since Mao Tse-tung's death in 1976 Peking has been far more tolerant of all religions, including Christianity, although Catholics remain under suspicion because of links with Rome. Only this year was Bishop Gong of Shanghai released after 30 years of detention. The new atmosphere has led to

the repair and reopening of some monastaries, temples and ehurches. The Anglican Church in Britain The Anglican Church in Britain became optimistic about sending some or all of the 1947 collection when K. H. Ting, China's most eminent surviving Anglican bishop, visited Britain in 1982. The following year Archbishop Runcic went to China, where he made contact with Bishop Ting's Chinese Christian Church (CCC), a "post-denominational" body embracing perhaps three million Protestants once faithful to western denominations who now attend 2,000 nations who now attend 2,000 churches regulated by the party. Services in these churches are distinguished by close attention to the Bible and very long sermons. In 1984 the £48,681 earned in interest PHS from the primates' fund was sent to the CCC.



Bishop Ting with Dr Runcie during his visit to Britain: will his three million followers triumpb over Document 19?

"We felt the CCC contained the rump of the Anglican Church in China, with Bisbop Ting represent-ing the continuity", explains the Rev lan Holdcroft of Church House, one of the fund's trustees. He feels that despite party control the CCC is no mouthpiece for Peking. But Hold-croft understands Chinese realities. "We want to avoid the impression that the Church of England is just drooling for a chance to renew its old domination."

No one at Lambeth Palace or Church House considers the CCC to be a captive church, although neither does anyone deny that it operates under party surveillance and sanction. Outsiders are warned, delicately: "This is very dangerous ground even to discuss".

"Foreign religious infiltration is to be restricted, especially by the Vatican and the Protestant mis-

Document 19 also restricts religious publishing and prohibits evangelizing outside courch walls. It is such bobbling, which forswears violence but looks forward to the disappearance of religion, which hornites the millions of "house Christians", fundamentalist believers outside the CCC, who are virtually proscribed by Document 19, largely because of their enthusiastic evangelizing. Document 19 also restricts re-

astic evangelizing.

The despair of the bouse Christians is expressed in Britain by the Rev Leslie Lyall, a retired missionary who first went to China in 1929. There are millions of these enthusi-Anglican experts on China know astie evangelists, be says, probably that the Chinese Communist party's more than CCC members, and they

have never been linked to foreign churches. They assume that eventu-ally the party will dissolve the CCC along with all other religious practice. "Still," he concedes, "if I were in China I would support the CCC. The party is unlikely to squash it. It has to think of its image

For Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's special envoy, who preceded Dr Runcie to China; recognizing the CCC is no problem. Bishop Ting and his colleagues are admirable and brave men who have stood up for their beliefs, he says. He is not bothered about the party's role in religious affairs. No longer does anyone go to jail in China simply for being a believer. But the party puts units and patriotism first, "so unity and partiotism first, "so anyone who jumps up in a religious context - rightly or wrongly - must expect a bit of stick. Some of those local evangelicals have caused havoc

in the countryside."

The Church of England's top
China expert, the Rev Boh Whyte, is certain that sooner or later the CCC will form a true church and that which that day comes the £45,460 of capital which remains from the primates' collection should be available. Such a national church, it hoped in London, will include bishops with whom Anglicans can feel in communion.

"Something authentic is emerging in China," says Holdcroft who, like Bob Whyte, admires Chinese Christians for holding to the faith in the face of savage oppression.

Men like Holdcroft, Whyte and
Waite believe the CCC needs all the

money it can ge! to sustain its fight. In that case the £45,460 from the primates' fund is a modest sum. But given Peking's ultimate goal - the disappearance of religion - it could be £45,460 too much. Jonathan Mirsky the British police, who say: "They (Tomorrow: the Westland were like lemmings." Lord Levin we avoid all mention of it.)

government

Pounds, dollars and nonsense

It all depends on what turns one on.
For some, it is Page 3 of The Sun;
for me it is long reports so boring
and technical that they can be found
only in the Financial Times. But the
truth is more often to be found
buried in the pink pages than it is
displayed on the tabloid ones.

It was the headline which really
gripped me — "Foreign exchange
trading doubles in five years". There
followed a description of the

gripped in the gripped in the product of the research conclusions reached by the Group of 30, a New York research organization backed by western financial institutions and multinational companies. One of the figures quoted in the report was that turnover in the world's foreign exchanges was now estimated at \$150 billion, or about £104 billion, per day. In three days, therefore, the world's foreign exchanges turn over a sum equivalent to the income which it takes the United Kingdom a full year to generate, with an annual gross domestic product of annual gross domestic product of around £320 billion. So what, one might ask? We are

So what, one might ask? We are only a small country, and the world is a large place. But then I alighted on another figure – that in the same year as the foreign exchanges were turning over \$150 billion a day, the total value of the world's exports was only \$1,662 billion a year. In other words, every 11 days the foreign exchanges turn over the total value of a full year's world trade in goods; or (assuming 250 trading days a year) for every £1 or \$1 which crosses the foreign exchange markets crosses the foreign exchange markets less than 5p or 5 cents is to do with

the sale or purchase of goods.
Of course, it is not quite like that, as any foreign exchange dealer will be quick to point out. The export of a million pounds' worth nf goods medium-term currency adjustments from country X to country Y may to that economic reality violent and involve more than one single often wildly exaggerated, in a transaction on the foreign exchangements manner which does not fully reflect es, both exporter and importer will be seeking to protect themselves against foreign exchange losses in what can be a very volatile market; they may also have agreed to finance the transaction in a third country's

currency.
Allowing for all these complexities, bowever, it looks as though at the very best only 20 to 25 per cent of transactions on the foreign exchanges have anything at all to do with paying for goods and services which one country provides for another. Part of the remaining 75-80 per cent of transactions is made up of long-term capital flows; but the overwhelming bulk of turnover now has nothing to do with trade, and everything to do with "dealing and speculative transactions".

Securities and commodity firms now trade in foreign exchange as if it of naprecedented instability in were a commodity; and the Group world financial markets, and when of 30 report stated that there was the problem of the debt mountain if or 30 report stated that there was evidence that for some individuals and multinational companies foreign exchange trading has now become a discrete profit centre, expanded well beyond commercial requirements although the companies may claim to do no more than hedge."

The problem of the debt mountaining many less developed nations to mains fundamentally unresolved.

The emerging truth is that a free-for-all in the financial markets and the currency instability this produces actually undermines fire trade in goods and services. I do not quite know the cure; but I know that the

It is not only the absolute size of patient is ill.

in five years their volume has doubled (from \$75 billion in 1979), while world exports have grown by only a twelfth, or 8.5 per cent in the

same period.

1 do not blame those who

I do not blame those who speculate in this way, no more than blame wasps for being attracted to the honeypot. For those whose business is trading in foreign exchange, the more they trade the better it is for them. Indeed the report makes clear that market participants "aim to create (currency) fluctuations, and therefore turnover, on which profits depend".

Nor can one blame any corporate treasures who by trading in currency aims to reduce his company's exposure to currency fluctuations, and make some granuitous profit as well. No, I do not blame people for being in a madhouse, nor for making seemingly rational decisions while staying there. But I do think it important that the participants as well as the rest of us should recognize that the foreign exchanges now are a madhouse, and a dangerous one at that.

The speculative froth results in two things. First, it detaches the foreign exchange markets from the day-to-day reality of national ecros-

foreign exchange markets from the day-to-day reality of national econ-omies. The US dollar, for example, omies. The US dollar, for example, went up and stayed up for a long time when its trade balance plunged into the red. There were rational explanations for this (principally the high interest rates being charged to fund the budget deficit), but the failure of foreign exchange mechanisms promptly to reflect profound real changes in the US's competitive position has greatly faciled protectionist sentiment in that country.

Secondly, it makes the inevitable

Secondly, it makes the inevitable manner which does not fully reflect the changes in a country's underly-ing weakness or strength. The relative values of the pound to the dollar since 1979 tell that story: \$2.00 in 1979, \$2.40 in 1980, down to almost \$1 last year, and \$1.44 now. Faced with such fluctuations, who indeed can blame any corporate treasurer for taking to sampling?

treasurer for taking to gambling?
The exchange rate should reflect a country's competitiveness, but that factor is now submerged by other less important but far more dominant considerations in the foreign exchange markets. As the Group of 30 report states. "technical trading systems involving computer models and charts have become the vogue so that the markets react more sharply to short-term trends and less attention is given to basic factors".
All this froth has occurred at a time

foreign exchange transactions which The author is Labour MP for is now staggering, but their growth. Blackburn.

moreover... Miles Kington

A bridge too far-fetched

Do you remember Oleg Bitov, the Russian journalist who came to Britain to seek freedom and then suddenly returned to Russia to seek more freedom? Do you remember the Russian who came here from France and fell asleep for three weeks? And dozens more who came and went. Nn nne has come up with a remotely plausible reason for their weird behaviour.

Now all can be explained. They came here seeking freedom of thought and speech, and all they found was an endless debate over the shape of the future Channel link No wonder they fell asleep or rushed back to Russia, an option which is not open to many of us. But for those of us who are still here, and still awake, it is not quite too late to enliven the Channel link coverage. Here, thanks to the Moreover computer, is an expert forecast of some of the exciting things due to happen in mid-Channel.

1986. Go-ahead is given for the construction of a mixed tunnel and bridge road/rail link with France. Construction starts. 1987. Construction stops.

1988. Many British firms are baled out by the government. Construc-

out by the government. Construc-tion restarts.

2001 The new cross-Channel link is opened. On the opening day the first mid-Channel traffic jam forms, reaching as far back as the M25 near Gatwiek. The authorities plead with motorists not, please not, to take a sight-secting trip across the bridge, as it is not designed to take such a volume of traffic, and in any case there is not sufficient room in Calais for all the British cars who wish to do U-turns and come straight back. 2002. The new Channel bridge is closed temporarily due to harrline cracks in the road surface, exacerbated by the salt air. The British firm which has won the contract to supply cones for the motorway, Westland Cones Ltd, runs into difficulties and seeks aid from the government.

government.

After reopening the first major motorway pile-up occurs during conditions of severe spray, high waves and sea mist, despite which motorists persist in breaking the speed limit. "They were driving like maniacs," say the British police, which is confirmed by the French police, who say. "Ils conditisatent police, who say. "Ils conduisaient comme des fous. Ils etaient comme des lemmings." This is echoed by

broadside against the standard of catering in many of the mid-Chan-nel service areas. 2004. Should coaches be allowed on

the Channel Bridge? That is the question asked in Parliament and elsewhere after a coach nn a school trip is bluwn nff the bridge and into the Channel Coach operators reply indignantly that their coaches are perfectly seaworthy and that the coach in question confinued its journey to Calais under its own steam, but doubts remain. Lord Levin attacks coaches, but defends their right to do what they like.

2005. The first big ships collide with
the bridge, in thick fog. "Ils
naviguaient comme des fous," say

the French police.

Although there is no great damage, several sailors leap off one ship (a Russian trawler) and clinging to the bridge, ask for political asylum. When offered French or British asylum, they all choose French. Lord Levis writes a long piece on their choice and concludes by saying. "I shall have more to say about this tomorrow."

2006. TV premiere of a major natural history series by the veteran Lord Attenborough: "Life on the Channel Bridge". A new maritime ecology has grown up on the Channel link, including bird colonies, oyster beds, the inevitable foxes, hard-shoulder rooks and one inexplicable lemming. Rais are also seen passing along the bridge; leaving France, say some, fleeing Britain, say others. choose French Lord Levin writes a Britain, say others.

Britain, say others.

2007. It is finally admitted that planners had not allowed for the growth in traffic over the Channel link, and the returning summer holiday crowds are now merging with the early Christmas shopping rush to France. A relief scheme is desperately needed. Tenders are invited for the construction of the new Channel Bridge By-Pass.

2008. The public debate hots on over the shape that the new Channel over the shape that the new Limits relief link should take, to the exclusion of all other news. Several Russian journalists and spies defect to the West, but after several weeks to the West, but after several weeks of freedom either return to Russia or sink into a deep coma. Nobody can explain why.

(Tomorrow: the Westland debate -

THE GREEN DEBATE

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Yesterday a jaded department of The Department of the Enstate announced its rebirth. Its vironment is not short of minister advanced the cause of subjects for its new-found activigorous government and took vism. The process of designation pride in its many-sided powers of sites of special scientific of intervention. Mr. William interest is well behind schedule: Waldegrave, who had been the Nature Conservancy will consigned - some thought - to a have to be pushed or pulled into junior minister's backwater, took action. This year the operations the floor at the Oxford farming of the 1981 Wildlife and conference to fashion a new Countryside Act have to be destiny for the Department of reviewed. This time round, Mr the Environment and, perhaps, a political future for himself.

This was no solo effort. Mr recasting their department, re-1960s' urbanism and dark municipal management with bright green paint more suited to the place on the farm.

Mr Waldegrave's subject had been well advertised hy the Mr Michael Jopling, or rather between those ubiquitous but-neyer identified briefers who weeks. On the surface Mr Jopling's assertion that the groups in the Na mal Farmers. Union and the agricultural lohbies bave recently signed up as environmentalists.

Cynics may put that down toeconomics and some self-inter. asm further, the Government ested calculations about land use and revenue in the context of gross over-production which cal principle. even the Common Agricultural sustain. Others, more generous, may cite the embarrassment of farmers at grain surpluses in years of famine.

will always be the producers' representative at the court of central government. Consumers Britisb landscape. As matters: stand, the twin quangos of the: Nature Conservancy and the Countryside Commission are-puny. The Department of the and landscape has till now never focused its role. Mr. Waldegrave's speech and its aggrandizbid is therefore welcome-

There are almost always competing uses for land, two sides (or more) to protection of.

Waldegrave will surely not be content to allow amendments to the act to be carried courtesy of Kenneth Baker, the Secretary of an Opposition bill. And no full-State, and his energetic perma-blooded review can avoid exam-nent secretary Mr Terry Heiser ining the disparity within the bave nurtured the project of town and country planning laws between the treatment of rural painting its fading colours of late property outside farms and the construction and destruction of buildings and plants that takes

There is no need to exaggerate likely antagonism between conbeen well advertised by the servationists and agriculturalists. weekend row between him and. The Ministry of Agriculture itself is beginning to tap European sources of support for environhave been doing such a busy trade in Whitehall in recent weeks. On the graffer who mental protection. Any extra money for conservation, however, must such a such as a programmes of production sup-Jopling's assertion that the port - the object being not to Ministry of Agriculture takes an reduce farm incomes but to interest in conservation is un-challengeable. Both the minis-try's officials and their client priorities.

Here, then is a job for Mr Waldegrave and a mission for his department. But before he takes his young man's enthusiowes the public a short declaration of philosophical and politi-

The letter and the spirit of the Policy cannot much longer speech Mr Waldegrave gave sustain. Others, more generous, yesterday contrast starkly with the dedication of Lord Young, voiced in both speeches and white papers, to dismantling the But the Ministry of Agricul-ture, Fisheries and Food by its in the planning laws, Mr Waldeorigins and departmental ethos grave's implicit anti-urbanism (witness his excoriation of 'cheap housing") accords badly central government. Consumers with the message from Mrs and taxpayers ought to have Thatcher, Mr-Tebbit and others their voices at the Cabinet table. about the growth of home So too the walkers, the scientists ownership and the dynamic of a and the casual gazers at tracts of market that attracts both jobs and homes to desirable locations that often happen also to be Green Belt, or agricultural land.

Mr Waldegrave's green ministry is also the authority that will, Environment with its rag-bag of shortly, have to make important responsibilities across planning decisions about the expansion of the urban area in the South East. That expansion is the product of welcome economic growth and itself an economic stimulant. Some, especially within the Conservative Party, find Lord Young's gospel of growth unathedgerows and policy for wood- tractive when they realize that it lands. Large sums of public must encompass changes in land money are being spent to skew use. Choices will have to be the production of foodstuffs. The made. Mr Waldegrave's green full weight of the Environment visions are uplifting and his Department ought to be thrown department's new role has much into discussion about the effects to commend it. But it is the of that expenditure on the lay of government as a whole, holding the land. This is a debate in the economic weal of the nation which more not less verbal as its first goal, that will have to fisticuffs between ministers decide how much greenery

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A leading article yesterday

than the present one.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher at 10

quarter of Nigeria's business comes to this country, making it Britain - while 10,000 of our old mother country and black Africa's higgest state, argues for official representation at the

the two countries might be able to mend their fences last September when Sir Geoffrey Howe visited Lagos. But the new regime of President Ibrahim Babangida had only just taken Buhari government in Lagos up office.

there is not that excuse. Babangi- warned against trying to work a da, having survived one quid pro quo over the differences attempted coup against him, is which divide us. With its emerging as a more popular immense economic difficulties it leader than most of his recent needs our help as much as we predecessors in Lagos. He has need its market. Both governalso made a modest mark in the ments have an interest in putting Commonwealth, by agreeing to the clock back two years, then send a Nigerian as co-chairman moving forward again. of the forthcoming delegation to South Africa. He should now feel confident enough to put his relationship with Britain back on a proper footing.

A leading and the proper form the Government of Mr Francis Pym, Mr James Prior and Sir Ian Gilmour. In

a proper footing.

On the face of it the two other fact, Mr Prior resigned.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Time to settle schools dispute

came to power, morale in the Armed Services was at a low point, there were major recruitment problems, key personnel were leaving and there were grave equipment prob-

For the future of the country, the Government remedied the situation by significant increases in pay and a January 6.

re-equipment programme.

The future of the country is now threatened by a crumhling education service in our schools. As in 1979 there are major recruitment problems. Key staff are leaving in droves, and there is massive under-investment. Morale in the teaching force is

messages from heads all over the country: cannot the central Government see what is happening to the education service?

The Secretary of State for Education bolds out the prospect of an improved pay package for the following financial years if a set of conditions of service can be negotiated. Such a fundamental change in teachers' working conditions demands a situation where it is negotiated other than in the heat

At the teachers' side and the employers' side meetings this week their concern will be the current financial year's pay deal. Blind insistence that the deal struck will be one that leaves teachers struggling financially in a pit of despair and frustration is not going to bring about a solution. The trench warfare Surrey, will continue and worsen. The January 3.

From the President of the Secondary Heads Association
Sir, Six and a half years ago, when the Conservative Administration
An act of statesmanship from the

Government to give these 1985-86 negotiations the flexibility they need required now as a marter of national priority. Yours faithfully,

ROWLAND P. BROWN, President, Secondary Heads Association, 107 St Paul's Road, N1.

From Mr R. G. Cannon

Sir, As the teachers' dispute enters 1986 with few signs of an end in sight. I am surprised by the failure (or reluctance?) of the media to highlight its basic cause: the pay of at an all-time low, ordinary teachers. These personal As President of the Secondary Heads Association, I am receiving Stayed an extra three years at school - O and A levels; studied for six years at three universities - BA (Hons) Kent, PGCE Exeter, MA London: full-time teacher for 13 years, worked in four schools -currently employed at a sixth-form college, teaching four subjects to A and/or O level and assisting with the

library.

The end result is a gross salary of little £9,597 and a take-home pay of little more than £100 a week. Sir Keith Joseph says that I am "mad" and "unrealistic" to expect much more. Am I? Is it such a foolish dream to hope to be earning £10,000 p.a. by the time I'm 40? Yours faithfully. R. G. CANNON

14 Veryan. Goldsworth Park. Goldswor Woking

March of communism

From Mr E. G. Nugee, QC

Sir, When you say (leading article, December 27) that "At the centre of Soviet ideology is the belief that the armies of socialism march in one direction only", you put your finger on the single greatest danger to future world peace. It is this belief, together with the doctrine, preached by Lenin and propagated today in booklets one can pick up free in booklets one can pick up free in Moscow botels, that it is the duty of the Soviet Union to come to the aid of any communist party that has obtained power and is facing opposition, which led to the involvement of Soviet forces in Afghanistan and may lead to their involvement in other more sensitive parts of the world.

A young man, just down from university, whom I met in Leningrad, asked not, "Will communism come in England?" hut, "When will communism come in England?". The fact that it would come sooner or later was an unquestioned part of his faith, and I do not doubt that if he thought he could hasten its coming be would regard it as his duty to do so.

The Christian churches had a similar ideology in the great days of Yours faithfull missionary activity in the 18th and E.G. NUGEE, 19th centuries, when it was a that the time would surely come December 31.

Decline in research

when the glory of (the Christian) God would cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. Today they recognise that other faiths, such as Buddhism and Islam, contain elements of the truth, and for the most part no longer expect the adherents of those faiths to desert them in favour of Christianity when the Christian faith is revealed to them, and no longer attempt largescale conversions.

What is needed more than almost anything else in the world is a similar development in Soviet ideology. The nuclear bomb has given us a breathing space and helped to prevent a recurrence of conventional war on the scale of 1914-18 and 1939-45.

Christian CND, among others, might usefully use this breathing space to try to develop in those who will influence the thinking of future generations of Soviet citizens a similar recognition that there is room for more than one political system in the world, and that communism should not be regarded as the only or inevitable destination for all countries. It might be more beneficial in the long run, if more demanding, than cutting holes in other people's fences. Yours faithfully,

3 New Square, Lincoln's Inn, WC2.

India and the British

From Sir Christopher Laidlaw

2) that our future prosperity increasingly depends on our long-term research base illustrates a prevailing misconception in academia, however well-intentioned. No one can really doubt that British research has fathered a host of British inventions in the thirty years since the War, yet during that time our relative prosperity has slipped from top to near bottom of the

European league.
Our problem has never been with research itself but with its development into practical applications and the meticulous care and discipline that this development involves. It is the weakness of the "D" in our R and D which has led to the slide in our prosperity and our academics do not generally feel obliged to correct

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER LAIDLAW, 49 Chelsea Square, 5W3. January 6.

For frozen fingers?

Sir, You carry today (January 6) a full-page advertisement for a very expensive German sports car. Listed among its attractions is an "airconditioned glovebox".

Sir: What does one do with an air-

conditioned glovebox? Yours in puzzlement, AIDAN FOSTER-CARTER. 9 Wilton Grove. Monk Bridge Road, Leeds West Yorkshire. January 6.

From Mrs Niamh Whitfield Sir, In suggesting that French husbands are known to their wives as "cabbages", Commander Miller (January 3) does them less than justice. The term chou has two principal meanings: firstly, cabbage, but secondly, more relevantly, "little round pastry cake", as in chou à la crème. The endearment "my little honey bun" gives a better idea of a Frenchwoman's feelings of affection

Yours faithfully, NIAMH WHITFIELD. 47 Faroe Road, W14. January 4.

Eden and the unions - a reappraisal

From Lord Carr of Hadley

Sir, The harsh criticism of Anthony Eden in your leader of January 3 for failing in 1955 to act on Lord Nufficld's proposal for a legal requirement for secret ballots before unions could call strikes and for electing officers, is singularly illconsidered and unfair,

Lord Nuffield's belief, which you so uncritically accept, that this would provide the simple solution to "Britain's bad record of strikes and industrial breakdown" was extraordinarily naive and only to be explained by assuming that he had hy then lost real touch with the actual current problems in industrial relations.

By 1955 the most economically damaging strike action was increasingly arising not from strikes called by unions with doubtful majority support or hy militant union officials with duhious democratic credibility, hut from unofficial strikes called by unofficial leaders usually in breach of their unions' agreements and/or their rules and procedures. While secret ballots, broadly as proposed by Lord Nuffield, are now proving a valuable element in the present Govern-ment's industrial relations policy this is because they were introduced not in isolation as a single, simple remedy but as one component in a carefully prepared and phased package of interlocking measures. You write disparagingly of Anth-ony Eden being "aided and abetted" in his refusal to act 'by his Minister

Resisting apartheid

From Mr Costa Gazidis Sir, Roger Scruton (December 17) tells us that it was wrong for the GLC to have commissioned a bust of the jailed ANC leader Nelson Mandela until such time as be prove himself truly virtuous and until a more sensitive sculptor is found. Your correspondent is obviously not impressed with Mandela's 22 years in prison as an expression of virtue. But he should be told that he

membership with the South African Communist Party (SACP). What he does not realise - in common with the British media as a whole - is that the ANC is not the only organization resisting the apartheid regime. It is also not true that the ANC is the leading force in

The United Nations, the Organization of African Unity and the Non-Aligned Movement all recognize two liberation movements in South Africa. One of them is the ANC; the other is the PAC (Pan Africanist Congress of Azania). The latter is quite independent of both

Future of Westland

From Mr C. G. R. Buxton Sir, The Government seems embarrassed that two imaginative schemes for Westland's future have emerged. But surely this is cause for congratulation? There is now choice as well as competition. There is also a constructive public debate about

long-term defence procurement. European defence chiefs increas-ingly recognise that the effectiveness of their national armed forces would be maximised hy greater coordi-nation in their basic defence procurement on this side of the Atlantic. European as well as American security would be enhanced by this process.

The article on the centre page of today's issue (January 31 by Bailey Morris on the "implications of the multi-billion squeeze" on American

Lessons from Swiss From Mr N. Leonard Alderson Sir, Mr Farr (December 27) illustrates the informality of the Swiss political leaders. I, too, can testify to this, having passed the Foreign Minister in the street in Gstaad this summer eating a hot

dog!
This informality is combined with responsiveness to the needs of the ordinary citizen. Recently my wife wrote a letter to the President of the Swiss Confederation. A few days later I received at my office a telephone call from the President's office to say that my home telephone didn't answer and that they were anxious to contact my wife as soon as possible to discuss

the lener with her. We all have a lesson to learn from the Swiss in the effective functioning of a true democracy. Yours faithfully, LEONARD ALDERSON, 111 Route de la Capite, 1223 Cologny,

Geneva, Switzerland. December 28.

Wind in the wires

From Dr C. J. Spray Sir. With reference to recent correspondence coocerning plans for the removal of overhead telegraph wires may I suggest that one section

Sleepers awake

Shropshire. December 29.

Sir, Professor Fells (December 28) is mistaken. It is not lying athwart a sleeping car which keeps him awake, hut the copious drafts of brandy he consumes beforehand. A French-speaking Pole, in

Corsica, explained to me many years ago that brandy livens one up, and whisky calms one down. I have since proved this to my total satisfaction. Yours faithfully, J. LINGFORD-HUGHES, Yeaton House, Baseburch. Shrewsbury,

the establishment of a greater sense of partnership within industry through the deliberate promotion of share ownership by employees, employee participation and profit All this he saw as an integral and central element in the development of his wider concept of a propertyowning democracy which he wanted to be the dominant domestic theme of his premiership. Sadly, for reasons which are now part of

superpowers. In Britain the PAC is all hut ignored by the left and right:

for their own reasons they prefer to uphold the ANC as the decisive anti-

Nelson Mandela is not the only

leader of the dispossessed African

people languishing on Robben Island. Many other great and unsung

leaders such as Zephaniah Mothup-

ing (a name that will resonate in Britain in the future) are there.

Many more have already been killed

in custody, such as Steve Biko, of the Black Consciousness Movement,

and Neil Aggett, from the indepen-

the whole liberation struggle against the racist South African regime by

railing against the manipulated Mandela He has impressed us with his classical allusions but should

dismay us for his lack of scrudny of

Mr Scruton has tried to defame

dent black trade unions.

contemporary history.

distortion of hoth men's records.

Walter Monckton was appointed by

Winston Churchill with a clear

conciliatory role which he carried

out brilliantly and which was of

great importance at the outset of the

first post-war period of Conservative

government. Anthony Eden agreed

with this, but by 1955 he felt that the

time bad come for a change of

emphasis and a more positive

policy: hence his appointment of lain Macleod as his new Minister of

In your leader you also suggest

that Anthony Eden had a "scant interest in domestic affairs". This is

not true, as I know from my close

contact with him over more than

four years as his parliamentary

private secretary. He saw the improvement of industrial relations

as a most urgent problem in tackling

which the starting point had to be

history, this strategy was never put to the test. Yours faithfully ROBERT CARR. of Labour, the great conciliator, Walter Monckton". This is an unfair House of Lords. January 5.

government force.

Labour.

is not the only one to have noticed that the ANC has very strong links with Moscow via overlapping

that struggle.

There are many forces working for change in South Africa - not all of them nouced by even the Anti-Apartheid Movement - and not all of them are Soviet-dominated. Yours etc. COSTA GAZIDIS, 178 Manchester Road, Bury, Lancashire.

defence spending makes sobering reading. If financial restraint requires President Reagan to "preside over the largest dismantling of US military power since...the early 1950s", then the consequential need in Europe for coordinated defence procurement becomes correspondingly more crucial.

The rules of this game are said to

the shareholders would be wise to think of Britain in Europe as part of the calculation before them.

Tomorrow's Europe is being formed out of a multitude of different decisions. It is of more than passing importance whether Westland opts to go towards or away

be based on the best economic bid.

The European bid is a good one and

from Europe. Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPER BUXTON. Kirtlington Park, Oxfordshire.

Hong Kong leadership

From Professor Robert Skidelsky Sir, Simon Winchester (feature, January 6) suggests that Prince Charles be the next, and last, Governor of Hong Kong, This is the doniest idea to have appeared for a long time; another sign, I suppose, of our senile obsession with the Royal

> What the Foreign Office should he aiming for is to have as the last Governor a local Chinese leader, who enjoys the confidence of the Hong Kong community and Peking. and who could be the first head of government of the territory after the handover of 1997.

> The important thing is to develop some kind of political process in Hong Kong between now and 1977, not smother the colony's dying days in a royal embrace. Yours faithfully,
> ROBERT SKIDELSKY,
> University of Warwick,
> Department of International Studies,

Coventry, West Midlands. January 6. of the community, albeit human, will be delighted by in ir

hirds are killed or injured in Britain by collision with overbead wires, with swans perhaps the most frequent victims. During five years of research of

Newmarket,

Suffolk.

January 3.

mute swan populations in the Hebrides, over 80 per cent of all deaths I recorded were due to swans hitting overhead wires and either being electrocuted or killed by the impact. On a national basis, swan deaths due to collisions with overhead wires rank second only to

deaths from lead poisoning due to

passing. Each year thousands of

ingestion of anglers' weights.

The "haunting moan of the wind in the wires" reported by your correspondent (December 27) may also, I suggest, have been their swansong. Yours faithfully, CHRIS J. SPRAY. Great Bradley,

ON THIS DAY

JANUARY 8, 1894

For a number of years in the late 19th and early 20th centuries it was the practice of The Times to review the events of the preceding year in a series of essays - some of considerable length and detail.

THE COLONIES IN 1893.

Action is at all times so much more dramatically attractive than growth that interest in the colonial history of 1893 almost naturally centres in

The most definite record of achievements comes from South Africa, where the successful campaign against the Matabele has removed the greatest obstacle which existed to the satisfactory settlement of the northern region . . . It had been hoped in the first months of the year that the peaceful strengthening of the links of communication with the north by means of telegraphs and railways would have sufficed to bring about the gradual inclusion of the Matabele nation in the web of mining and agricultural

But it became evident in the month of July thet war between the European settlers in Mashonaland and the Matabele was practically inevitable. Mining and agricultural operations could only be carried on in the country by means of native labour, and in orde to secure this it was necessary to guarantee protection to natives employed by Europeans. The Matabele had generally respected this guarantee, but in July a fierce raid was made upon the Victoria district. Mashonas in the employment of European settlers there were killed, European farms were looted, and the indunas in command of the expedition even west so far as to demand that Mashonas who had fled into the fort for protection should be given up. It was the last of many serious provocations. The expedition was expelled by force, and both sides prepared for war. Some delay occurred, and it was even then possible for Lobengula, if he could have controlled his impis, to have negotiated the conditions of a peaceful settlement. Every effort was made in that direction by the European authorities. The company's forces were attacked, and i was not until October 2 that the Matabele took the initiative by firing upon the company's patrols. On October 5 an impi hovering further to the south fired upon a patrol of the Bechuanaland Police. On the 6th the company's columns, fully equipped well armed, and numbering in all about 1,000 strong, set out from Forts Victoria, Charter, and Salisbury, with the purpose of effecting a junction near Fort Charter and marching upon Rubuwaya from the north. The Buluwayo from the north. The Imperial column, commanded by Colonel Goold-Adams, and consisting chiefly of Bechuanaland Border Police, reinforced by the company's troops from Tuli and by some of Khama's men, advanced simultaneously from the Bechuanaland border on the south. The company's troops were under the command of Major Forbes, but the columns were accompanied by Dr. Jameson and Sir John Willoughby.

The little campaign was as brilliantly executed as it was admirably cooceived. The northern columns effected a junction after a first sharp encounter with the enemy near Indaima's Mountain on October 16. This gave bem the necessary command of the bigh ground. A battle of more importance on the head waters of the Shangani river on November 1, in both of which some thousands of the Matabele were engaged, and in both of which the compony's forces were completely victorious, decided the defeat of Lobengula, who fled, deteat of Lobengula, who fied, accompanied by the broken remnants of his army, towards the north. Buluwayo was occupied by the company's troops on November 4. The southern column, after a sharp engagement on November 3 with the Matabele forces detached for the defence of the approaches to Buluwayo from the south, joined them there within a few days. Civil government was immediately proclaimed, and the peaceful settlement of the country was proceeded with. An offer of the High Commissioner to occupy Buluwayo by Imperial police was declined by Mr Rhodes. The district was at once included within the sphere of administration of Dr. Jameson, the sites of two townships were selected, all natives who tendered their submission natives who tendered their submission were encouraged to return to the ploughing of their fields, and Major Forbes was gazetted magistrate. In the meantime negotiations were opened with the flying King, and a patrol under Captain Wilson was despatched in pursuit of him. The King continuing to retreat into the fastnesses of the to retreat into the fastnesses of the Matoppo Hills, and rumours coming in Matoppo Hills, and rumours coming in of gatherings of natives in his support, a strong military reconnoissance was determined upon, with the object of finally dispersing any bodies of natives collected for offensive purposes, and, if possible, of capturing the King. Major Forbes started for this purpose from Shiloh on November 25 and returned after a brilliant but arduous experience of four weeks, marching and fighting of four weeks' marching and fighting through practically desert country successful in everything but the actual capture of Lobengula....

Born to blush unseen

From Mr Jonathan Manthorpe Sir, In today's edition (January 3) the Reverend John Ticehurst asks if anyone knows of women who have been named Kerenhapnuch. My own family records show that in the eighteenth century Robert Man-thorpe, of Wrentham, a village between Southwold and Lowestort. in Suffolk, was married to Karen-

happuck Aldous.

The name did not catch on and has not been given to subsequent children. My family did, however, during the time of the Commonwealth, hold briefly in vogue the name Happybeatrice.

Yours faithfully. JONATHAN MANTHORPE Irstead Hall. Irstead, Norwich, Norfolk.

From Miss C. S. K. Parkes

Yours faithfully. CAROLINE SOPHIA KERENHAPPUCH PARKES (agod

Trainecn. Port Lewaigue. Maughold, Isle of Man. January 3.

would be welcome. Britain can afford. NIGERIAN LINKS

Nigeria's foreign minister Pro-fessor Bolaji Akinwemi calls on firmly lodged. One is the future of Umaru Dikko, a minister in Downing Street today; 18 Lagos two governments ago, months after relations between whose extradition has been the two countries were soured by: sought since he fled to this the Dikko affair. It is very much country after the fall of the to be hoped that his government Shagari administration. The is now ready to respond to rather less time-consuming Britain's request for the resump-method of smuggling him back lion of full diplomatic activity. to Lagos in a crate, was foiled by
There are several reasons why British customs. His request for

it should do so. Britain remains political asylum in Britain has been turned down by Whitehall, Nigeria's biggest trading partner which has yet to consider his - and foreign investor, with appeal against that decision. £2,000 million tied up there. A two British engineers Kenneth Clarke and Angus Patterson who 15th in our own league of overseas markets - and the biggest in Africa north of were each sentenced to 14 years by a Lagos court in October for Pretoria. Some 70,000 Nigerians, allegedly stealing an aircraft. Sir ciany of them students, live in Geoffrey Howe himself expressed his shock over the own expatriates are working out severity of the sentences.
But the case had clear political there. This level of activity undertones and a solution has between the Commonwealth's always looked possible by politi-

highest level. dealt with more easily through the increased bilateral contacts It was hoped in Whitehall that

Four months later, however,

From Lord Glendevon

Sir, Dr McClintock's belief (January

this by promoting collaboration with industry.

If a significant part of scientific academia in the UK could turn aside from its blue-sky research and help industry to develop existing concepts it would not only help to arrest the national decline, not only take a leaf from the books of our international competitors, hut find itself voted more money.

From Mr Aidan Foster-Carter

Terms of endearment

than any vegetable term.

Sir, Michael Hamlyn in his article (December 28) on the centenary celebrations of the Indian National Congress Party reminded us that the party's formation was encouraged by the British. Words spoken at the party's first

meeting by the first president of the Congress, Mr W. C. Bonnerjee, are worth recalling today:

l ask whether in the most glorious days of Hindu rule you could imagine the possibility of a meeting of this kind . . . It possibility of a meeting of this kind... It is under the civilising rule of the Queen and the people of England that we meet here together, hindered by none, freely allowed to speak nur minds without the least fear or hesitation. Such a thing is possible under British rule, and under British rule and under British rule.

It is all very well for the centenary celebrations to include the Quit India Movement of 1942 (which in fact fizzled out for lack of popular support) but it would be nice to know that Mr Bonnerjee's historic statement has been remembered at this time.

Yours faithfully, GLENDEVON, Mount Lodge, Mount Row. St Peter Port, Guerosey, Cl. December 30.

Statistical wealth

From Mr H. R. B'ynne-Griffith Sir. Your leader on the distribution of wealth (December 30) highlights an anomaly which prejudices the validity of the interpretation placed upon the statistics.

"Wealth" is said to include occupational pension rights but not State pension rights. However, most members of occupational schemes are contracted out of Serps (State earnings-related pension scheme). If all schemes were to contract back into Serps wonlo it then follow that the nation would be poorer and wealth distributed differently?

The logic of the Inland Revenue's argument of excluding State pension rights (Serps at least) is fallacious as it appears to recognise only those From Mr J. Lingford-Hughes pension rights that are funded. This being so, how is the wealth of Civil Servants to be assessed?

The spurious nature of the statistics is also emphasized by the fact that State benefits (including non-pension benefits) are much more valuable to those with lower pay than for the higher paid. For example, "free" education and health care are valuable and would, hy definition of "value", represent

Yours faithfully, H. R. WYNNE-GRIFFITH. 3 Dulwich Wood Avenuc, SE19. December 30.



COURT **CIRCULAR**

SANDRINGHAM January 7: Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE January 7: Ruth, Lady Fermoy has succeeded Lady Angela Oswald as Lady in Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE
January 7: The Princess Margaret,
Countess of Snowdon today received His Excellency The Japanese
Ambassador and Madame Toshio

The Prince of Wales will arrend a dinner dance given by Mr and Mrs Walter Annenberg in aid of Operation Raleigh at Rancho Mirage, California, on February 22 after his five-day visit to Texas.

A thanksgiving service for the life of the Right Rev Arthur W. Goodwin Hudson will be held at St Paul's Church, Portman Square, (in Robert Adam Street), London Wi on Monday, January 27, at 12.15pm. The address will be given by the former Bishop of Norwich, the Right Rev Maurice A. P. Wood.

Luncheons

HMI Inspectorate of Constabulary Sir Lawrence Byford, HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary, presided at the annual reunion luncheon of HM Inspectorate of Constabula held at New Scotlannd Yard yesterdey. The principal guest was the Hon Douglas Hurd, Secretary of State for the Home Departmennt. Others present included:
The Minister of State for the Horfle Department. Sir Robert Andrew. Sir Robert Authorities. Sir James Crane. Sir James Haughton. Sir James Crane. Sir James Haughton. Sir James Crane. Sir James Haughton. Sir James Crane. Sir James Crane. Mr B. Haughton. Sir James Crane. Sir James Crane. Mr J. Harden. Sir James Crane. Mr J. H. Harden. Sir James Crane. Mr J. H. Harden. Mr J. Harden. Mr J. Harden. Mr J. Harden. Mr J. Paritide. Mr J. Pearce. Mr S. Peck. Mrs. P. Stessowith. Mr J. Smith. Mr S. Vesey. Mr S. Weigh. Mr P. Weestley, Mr C. Wood and Mr J. Woddock.

Law Society Mr Alan Leslie, President of th Law Society, was the host yesterday at a luncheon held at 60 Carey Street, WC. Among those present

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr David Puttnam to be a trustee of the Tate Gallery, in succession tu Mr Peter Palumbo. Professor Malcolm Todd 10 be a

member of the Royal Commission on Historical Monuments (Eng-Sir Peregrine Rhodes to be Director General of the British Property Federation, in succession to Sir

Donald Tebbit. Mr Adrian Sharratt to be Chief Executive of the Vegetarian Society, in succession to Mr Peter Cox. Lady Soames to be President of the South of England Agricultural Society's twentleth show to be held at Ardingly, near Haywards Heath, West Sureau in the West Sussex, in June.

Clifton College

Term begins today, A. J. Allpon (Wiseman's) is head of school and H. D. Davies (East Town) is second head of school. Confirmation by the Bishop of Malmesbury will be on Sunday, March L A performance, including Kodaly's Psalmus Hungaricus and Dvorak's Te Deum, will be given at the Colston Hall on March 18 in conjunction with the choral societies of Badminion School and Clifton High School. A Spanish production of El Gestleula-Spanish production of El Gestleula-dur, by Rodolfo Usigli, will be performed on March 20, 21 and 22. Exeat is from February 16 to 18 (inclusive) and term ends on March 26. The OC reunion will be held on May 10 and 11 for these bear May 10 and 11 for those born between 1942 and 1948.



Lord Mansfield, First Crown Estate Commissioner, looking at a model of the proposed conversion into flats of the Diorama huilding (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Conversion plan for London landmark

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

The Diorama hailding south of missioner, said when he laun-Regent's Park, London, built Nash to house Louis Daguerre's early version of the cinema in 1823, which has recently been threatened with rederelopment as offices or even demolition, is to he converted into flats under n new scheme announced yesterday hy the Crown Estate Com-

The plans have been submitted to Camden council for consideration, and the £3 million to £4 million scheme can be completed in about two years if it is approved.

An earlier plan to turn the Diorama, a Grade I listed huilding, into offices was rejected after a public inquiry into offices was in 1984. It is the only huilding of its type left in the world slace Dagnerre's Paris Diorama was burnt down, and still retains the hage cogwheel which turned the seating platform as the audience riewed the pictures.

At present, much of the building is empty but part is occupied by Diorama Arts and used as an arts centre. The commissioners are engaged in litigation with the group over possession of the huilding. Lord Mansfield, First Com-

Latest wills

Stewart, Mr Alexander David. of Kelsale, Suffolk £297.542

ched the new scheme that the huilding was deteriorating rapidly and would cost millions just to put in order.

The Diorama Arts group is due to unveil its own plans for the hailding next month, but Lord Mansfield hoped the commissioners' scheme would be approved as a "sensible compromise" for the future of the building.

scheme, there will be 18 flats and maisonettes of one to three bedrooms, costing from £150,000 to about £300,000, and two houses which front on to Park Square East at the south-east corner of the park, which could cost about

£500,000 each.
All that 'is left of the Diorama is the shell and the cogwheel, for after it closed in 1851, it became variously a Baptist chapel, a clinic for rhenmatism sufferers and, latterly, part of Bedford Col-

If the new design is accepted. the hailding will have four lerels compared with its pre-sent two, and two full-height atria, probably the only residential hailding in the cocotry to do so.

Miss Gladys Margaret Hogg, of Chiswick, London, for nearly 50 years senior professional at the Queen's fee Skating Club, Bays-water, left estate valued at £160,901

Allhallows School Devon

The Lent Term at Allhallows begins March 26, Junior scholarship examinations will take place in the week beginning February 17: closing date for applications is January 27.
Interviews for sixth-form scholarships will take place on March 7/8;
elosing date for applications is
February 22. Half-term is from
Friday, February 14 to Tuesday,
February 18.

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Forthcoming marriages

The Hon G. S. Monck and Miss C. E. V. Naylor

The engagement is announced between George, second son of the late Viscount Monck and of Mrs G.
M. Palmer, Filgrims Farm, Overton, Hampshire, and Camilla, second daughter of the late Mr John Naylor and of Mrs John Naylor, The Mill House, Bramley, Hampshire, Tresckow, of Maseru, Lesotho.

Mr N. J. Porter and Miss N. C. Cowell

The marriage has been arranged between Neil, son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Porter of Cratloe, Co Clare, and Naomi, younger daughter of Mr P. T. Cowell, of Wareham, Dorset, and Lady Neville, of Edingthorpe, Norfolk.

Mr C. R. Abel Smith and Miss J. M. S. Wolton

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs Wilfrid Abel Smith, of 12 Stanbope Gardens, London, SW7, and Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Wolton, of The Old Rectory, Little Saxham, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk,

Mr J. S. C. Adamson and Miss C. L. M. Key

The engagement is announced between Jamie, cleder son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs W. J. Campbell Adamson, of Careston Castle, Brechin, Angus, and Carol, only daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs E. F. H. Key, and stepdaughter of Mrs M. L. Bridgman Key, of Palma, Majorca.

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mrs D. J. T. Graves, of Kens and Amanda, younger daughter and Mrs W. B. Mayb Balcombe, Sussex.

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Mr M. E. C. Ash and Miss C. Cabrera Infante

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The engagement is announced
between Edward, only son of Mr
Miehael Ash and Mrs John
Ommanney, and stepson of Mr
John Ommanney, of Coln St
Dennis, Gloucestershire, and Carola, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs
Guillermo Cabrera Infante, of
Kensington, London,

Mr J. K. Baker

Mr J. K. Baker
and Miss J. A. Bunting
The engagement is announced
between John. son of Mr K. H. F.
Baker. of Radwinter. Saffron
Walden. Essex. and Julia. younger
daughter of Mr and Mrs J. H.
Bunting, of Tysoc, Wnrwickshire. Mr D. A. Barns and Miss T. N. Hayes The engagement is announced

between David, only son of Mr and Mrs Alan Barns, of Perth. Western Australia, and Thira, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Francis Hayes, of Liansannor, South Glamorgan.

Mr N. H. S. Bersweden and Miss S. A. Carles

The engagement is announced between Nils, only son of Mrs G. M. Bersweden, of Osseit, West Yorkshire, and Mr S. A. U.Bersweden, of Sjöbo, Sweden, and Sarah, younger daughter of Mrs J. A. Carles, of Kirtlington, Oxford, and the late Mr W.R.Carles, of Timau, Kenya.

Mr J. Birch and Miss C. Jarvis

The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Birch, of Greenwich, and Claire, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Antony Jarvis, of Doddington, Lincolnshire. eldest daughter Measures, of Brunei, and London, W8.

Mr F. D. Love and Miss C. S.

Mr J, Black and Miss P. Pulham

The engagement is announced between James, eldest son, of Mr and Mrs R. Black, Newyearfield, Bacton, Stowmarket, Suffolk, and Penny, younger daughter, of Mr and Mrs. H. Pulham, Brockford Hall, Mr S. H. Marston and Miss S. J. Sherlock

Mr S. M. Clements and Miss E. J. Burnham

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs David Clements, of Easteliff, Felixstowe, Suffolk, and Elaine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gordon thiel, Cornwall.

Mr E. Cory and Miss C. Gane

The engagement is announced between Edward, only son of Mr and Mrs Edward Cory, of Barnes, and Caroley, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Gane, of Knightshridge. The marriage will take place in the Spring.

Mr S. P. Cruz and Miss P. A. Handfield-Jones The engagement is announced between Simon, second son of the late. Mr C. A. Cruz and of Mrs J. E. A. Cruz-Vaughan, of Gibraltar, and Poppy younger daughter of the late Mr M. R. Handfield-Jones and of Mrs M. P. Tinne and stepdaughter of Mr M. P. Tinne, of Fulham, London.

Mr M. J. Davey and Miss N. S. B. Hughes

The engagement is announced between Martin, only son of Mr and Mrs G. Davey, of Feock, and Nina, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs E. B. Hughes, of Feock, Cornwall.

Mr G. Davies and Miss S. Cooke

The engagement is announced between Guy, second son of Mr and Mrs Noel Davies, of Waltham St Lawrence, Berkshire, and Susan, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John C. Cooke, of Stubbs Walden,

Mr J. D. Fenner and Miss G. F. Bishop The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs W. L. Fenner, of Forest Hill, London, and Gillian, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. D. L. Bishop, of

Major A. W. M. Gardiner and Miss B. von Tresckow Mr J. W. Price and Miss H. M. Wrixon

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs P. D. Price, of Diana Road, Llandello, and Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. G. Wrixon, of Devereus Wootton, Herefordshire. Mr M. D. Steinberg and Miss C. J. Ellis

Mr S. D. R. Garner and Miss D. J. Chesworth

The engagement is announced between Sebastian, elder son of Mr D. M. Garner, of Allostock. Cheshire, and Mrs A. Garner, of Chettenham, Gloucestershire and Deborah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B. E. Chesworth, of Lower Withington, Cheshire. Mr M. A. Tayler and Miss H. J. Jones

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs A. Geden, of Wantage, Oxfordshire, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Druce, of Dulwich,

Mr C. J. M. Graves

Mr D. A. Geden and Miss C. S. Druce

and Miss A. P. Mayhew The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Dr and Mrs D. J. T. Graves, of Kensington, and Amanda, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs W. B. Mayhew, of Balcombe, Sussex.

The engagement is announced between Robert, eldest son of Mr F. Gray, of Illogan, Redruth, Cornwall, and Mrs P. James, of Troon, Camborne, Cornwall, and Mrs R. Leonard, of Illogan, Redruth, Comwall

Mr D. J. Halis and Miss N. A. Holman The engagement is announ

between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs W. J. Halls, of Harrogate, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs

The engagement is announced between Nicholas son of Dr and Mrs A. R. Horler, of Gosforth, Newcastle npon Tyne, and Rona, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs L. M. Dickson, of Barnton Park, Edinburgh.

Mr A. L. Hyde Parker and Miss B. C. Stearns

The engagement is announced The engagement is announced between Alexander, younger son of Mr and Mrs George Watson, of Elgin and Corby, and Victoria Jane, elder daughter of Mr William between Anthony eldest son of Mr. and Mrs L. E. Hyde Parker, of Smeetham Hall, Sudbury, Suffolk, P. E. Stearns, of Ranworth House, Harleston, Norfolk.

Mr C. G. Landless and Miss C. J. Measures

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs I. G. K. Landless, of Hill Farm, Dunstew, Oxford, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. E. Measures, of Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, and 36 Gordon Place, London, W8.

and Miss C. S. Hicks

The engagement is announced between Francis, eldest son of Dr and Mrs T. Lovel, of Hurstbourne Tarrant, Hampshire, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr T. P. Hicks, of South Ascot, and Mrs R. Hicks, of Ramsbury, Wiltshire,

The engagement is announced between Steven, youngest son of the late Mr Bevis Marston and of Mrs Vernica Marston, of Hawkley, Hampshire, and Sarah, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs John Sherlock, of Chichester, Sussex.

The engagement is announced between John, third son of Mr and Mrs J. R. Moore, of Weybridge, Surrey, and Rosemary, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. H. Simpson, of Westcroft, Wolding-

Mr J. Morgan and Miss P. Strain

The engagement is announced between Julian, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. J. Morgan, of Pembroke Gardens, Kensington, London, and Patricia, elder daughter of Mr H. W. Strain and the late Mrs A. E. Strain, of Lichard Co. Doug. of Lisbane, Co Down, Northern

Mr D. J. S. Norman and Miss C. J. Laurie-Muir

The engagement is announced between David, son of Wing Commander M. J. S. Norman, MBE, RAF, (retd), and Mrs Norman, of Fleet, and Caroline, daughter of Mrs J. Laurie-Muir, of Church Crookham.

Mr J. O'Connell

and Miss S. C. Davey The engagement is announced between James O'Connell, of Kelvedon Common, Essex, and Susan Caroline, only daughter of Mr Gordon Davey and the late Mrs Margaret Davey, of Gloucester Gardens, Cockfosters, Hertfordshire.

Mr T. R. Pearson and Miss R. L. Luke

Miss Shirley Bassey, 49; Mr David Bowie, 39; Canon J. S. Boys Smith, 85; Mr Graham Chapman, 45; Sir Maxwell Entwistle, 76; Mr José Ferrer, 74; Professor S. W. Hawking, 44; Major-General J. R. Holden, 73; Lord Hollenden, 72; Mr Roy Kinnear, 52; the Right Rev E. G. Knapp-Fisher, 71; Ar Commodore Joan Metcalfe, 63; Mr Ron Moody, 62; Professor W. B. Reddaway, 73; the Hon Mabel Strickland, 87; Mr Michael Wheeler, QC, 71. The engagement is announced between Tunothy, elder son of Lieutenant-Colonel R. T. Pearson, RA, and Mrs Pearson, of Woolwich, London, and Rhona, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Luke, of Sevenoaks,

Science report

Painkiller drug could aid memory By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

in one of two containers.

A drug used in painkillers and blood pressure preparations may help to prevent loss of memory in the elderly.

The suggestion comes from two scientists studying neuroanatomy at Yale Medical School in the United States.

They looked at the action of the drug, clonidine, on the ability of ageing monkeys after experts in animal behaviour had drawn up tests that could be used to assess memory ability. according to the description of the experiment reported in the journal, Science, the chore calls on the use of working memory. And it depends on the proper functioning of the prefrontal cortex part of the brain, which is also an area that is subjected to age-related

Examination of brain tis-sues that had degenerated showed that it was a loss of nerve cells that produced the brain chemical acetylcholine. The scientists say that attempts at replacement therapy in old people and old apes have been disappointing.

by Dr Amy Arnstein and Dr Patricia Goldman-Rakic at Yale, was in compare the efficiency of the monkeys to perform a delayed-response But they suggest that the reason may lie more in the gaps in understanding of the complicated pattern of bio-In practice that meant finding food that the animals had seen earlier being placed

by deterioration. Their work has focused on the interference that the deterioration has on the family of molecules that include noradrenatine, adrenaline and dopamine.

chemical reactions interrupted

The suggestion is that treatments to retain the transmission of those sobstances in the part of the brain where memory loss is centred may overcome other deficiencies.

The drug clouddine has proved to be one substance

which acts on the brain by enhancing the transmission of those molecules, the tests with the preparation showed that a group of treated animals had a much improved performance than a group of untreated controls of the same age.

Source: Science. Vol 230, No. 4731 p 1273-76.

OBITUARY PROF K. de B. CODRINGTON Indian art and archaeology

Professor Kenneth de Burgh Professor Kenneth de Burgh
Codrington who died on New
Year's Day at his home in
Appledore, was Professor of
Indian Archaeology in the
University of London from
1948 to 1966. He had published
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1948 to 1966. He had published
a number of works on the arts
and archaeology of India and of
her northern neighbours and for
some years prior to his taking
the Chair at London University
had been Keeper of the Indian

of his interests is indicated by a
novel The Wood of the Image
(1935).

During the early part of the
Second World War Codrington
joined Hackin's French
archaeological delegation to The engagement is announced between Matthew David, eldest son of Dr and Mrs J. Steinberg, of Duxford, Cambridge, and Charlotte Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. F. Ellis, of Wyton, Cambridge-ships.

Albert Museum.
The soo of an Indian Army The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Dr and Mrs K. A. Taylor, of Great Ayton. Cleveland, and Helen, daughter of officer, Codringtoo was educated at Sherborne and the educated at Sherborne and the the Tagore Society's Exhibition Cadet College at Wellington in of Indian Art in 1944, and he was

Mr and Mrs T. B. Jones, of Winchester

Mr J. C. G. Trewer and Miss V. L. H. Langman

The engagement is annous between Jonathan Charles Goss

Mr N. W. Price and Miss C. Taylor-Dickinson

Captain K. N. Tween, RAOC,

and Miss Y. E. Norman

and Miss S. P. Wilson

and Miss V. J. Purves

and Miss C. A. Eke

Mr E. J. Whitley and Miss A. M. Ramsay

Mr S. D. Willett

Marriages.

Captain T. J. Garforth-Bles

and Miss F. J. Neve

is being spent abroad. Mr T. W. Hedges and Miss P. H. Dolton

and Miss J. Blackburn

The engagement is announced between Simon David, youngest son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs P. J. Willett, of The Old Cream House,

Ashburton, Devon, and Julia, youngest daughter of the late Mr

Peter Blackburn and Mrs Sybil Blackburn, of Holemoor House, Chard Somerset.

Mr A. Watson

between Jonathan Charles Gosselin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Trower, of Stanstead Bury, Ware, Hertfordshire, and Virginia Louise Hartt, daughter of Mr Roy Langman, of 6 Somerset Square, London, W14, and Mrs Peter Scott Graham, of Petri Coin, St Martin, Jersey, Channel Islands. He then went to Corpus at Totaton Christic College, Cambridge, Institute of Archaeology and graduating BA in 1921 and to School of Oriential and African Wadham College, Oxford He Studies. Here he became a had a short period on the staff notable figure, particularly in of the Royal Air Force College, Cranwell, and spent the year expressed his views with 1925-26 as Professor of Combative energy.

Chair he was made Professor of Cincinnati

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs P. M. C. Price, of Weybridge, and Carole, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs E Taylor-Dickinson, of Leeds. Cincinnati. -Soon after his return to Study of Medieval Indian Edwardian childhood. Sculpture. In 1930 he brought He married in 1927 Sculpture. In 1930 he brought out a revision of Vincent Christine a daughter of E. V. Smith's History of Indian Fine Fleming. They had a son and a The engagement is announced between Keith Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs R. Tween, of Saltdean, Sussex, and Yvonne Elaine, younger of daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Norman, of Burnham, Buckinghamshire.

SIR JOHN BARLOW

Sir John Denman Barlow, Bt., chairman of his party's trade

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Brigadier and Mrs H. R. W. Vernon, of Church Oakley, Hampshire, and Sheena, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. N. Wilson, of Eastbourne, East on January 5. He was 87. The son of Sir John Barlow, was a director of The Falkiands first baronet, whom he sec- Islands Company. The com-ceeded in 1932, and the Hon mittee included Labour and Maria Heywood Denman, sister Conservative MPs. of the third Baron Denman, he

He was a merchant and Denis Healey, then Secretary of farmer, a joint partner of State for Defence, in which he Thomas Barlow and Brothers, stated that the Royal Marine The engagement is announced between Simon David, elder son of Dr and Mrs D. J. Westlake, of Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, and Catharine Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. C. Eke, of Stowey, Bristol.

Liberalism in politics, his father deter aggression being Liberal Member of Mr Healey's letter also stated Panliament for Frome for more that the ice patrol ship HMS The engagement is announced between Edward, son of Mr and Mrs. E. Whitley, of Church Pulverbarch, Shropshire, and Araminta, daughter, of Mr and Mrs A. W. Ramsay, of Brunswick Gardens, London. than 20 years. He fought the Projector was being replaced by Northwich division of Cheshire HMS Endurance, as a Liberal in 1929 and two After Barlow had released the years later stood down in favour of the Conservative candidate, in order that the National

tation of the People Act, 1948, and he unsuccessfully contested Walsall as a National Liberal walsall as a National Liberal and Conservative candidate. At He was a Justice of the Peace and Conservative canonicals the General Election of 1951 he for Cheshire.

the General Election of 1951 he for Cheshire.

the Conservative in 1928 Barlow married the Kemp.

and Miss F. J. Neve

The marriage took place on Saturday, January 4 at St Paul's Knightsbridge, of Captain Timothy James Garforth-Bics, 17th/21st Lancers, youngest son of Lientenant-Colonet and Mrs David Garforth-Bics, of Farnham, Surrey, and Miss Fiona Jane Neve, younger daughter of Major and Mrs Richard Neve, of Hindhead, Surrey. The Right Rev J. R. Satterthwaite, Bishop of Gibraliar in Europe, officiated, assisted by the vicar, the Rev A. C. C. Courtauld.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by Emily, Thomas and James Harrison, Victoria Garforth-Bles, and George and Melanie Garforth-Bles. Captain Mark Harding-Rolls, 17th/21st Lancers, was best man.

A reception was held at 30 Paviling Road and the homesman and parters and Research.

lesser successes, a note about all these attest to his deep and him as a man.

all these attest to his deep and multifarious interests outside A reception was held at 30 Pavilion Road and the honeymoon The marriage took place quietly on December 18 in Frenchay Chapel, Bristol, between Mr Thomas William Hedges, of Cirencester, and Mrs Patricia Helen Dolton, of Bath.

San Tropez; his intense concern one of them.

The Francis Mathew travelling scholarship, available to those seeking a career in printing publishing or paper, has been increased to £750.

to study in the UK or abroad. Requests for application forms

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Centenary appeal

Spring Term begins today and ends on Wednesday, March 26. Half-term will be from Friday, February 14. to Tuesday, February 18. The entrance scholarship examinations will take place on Saturday, March 1. Applications must be received by the headmistress by January 31, 1986.

He followed this in 1934 with An introduction to the Study of

and archaeology of India and of her northern neighbours and for some years prior to his taking the Chair at London University had been Keeper of the Indian Section of the Victoria and Albert Museum.

During the early part of the Second World War Codrington joined Hackin's French archaeological delegation to Afghanistan and spent two years excavating in Kabul and

its neighbourhood. Back in London he organized Cadet College at Wellington in Indian. Gazetted to the Indian Army in 1917 he served with the 33rd Queen Victoria's Own Light Horse until invalided out in 1921.

He then went to Corpus Combridge C

Institute of Archaeology and School of Oriential and African

Emeritus.

In 1957 Codrington published Britain his brief survey, Ancient a book of memoirs, entitled India appeared and in 1929 he Cricket in the Grass, an published An Introduction to the unsentimental view of an He married in 1927, Philippa

Conservative Member of Parlia and industry committee, ment for the Middleton and In March, 1968 a Falklands Prestwich division of Lanca- Islands emergency committee shire from 1951 to 1966, died was set up in London under the chairmanship of Bariow who

was born on June 15, 1898.

of Manchester and London, and detachment on the islands, he had also been a director of working with their defence Barclay's Bank, Ltd (Manforce, "would be adequate to meet any contingency that we Manchester Chamber of can forsee at present".

Commerce and London, and detachment on the islands, working with their defence force, "would be adequate to meet any contingency that we Commerce and the Calico Barlow released the latter Printers' Association. He was because of the publicity which chairman of various Malayan had been given to a letter from rubber companies and during Mrs Thatcher to a Conservative the 1939-45 war was vice-chair- supporter in February, 1982 man of the Cotton Board.

Party, and was returned for Hon. Diana Helen Kemp, Middleton and Prestwich in a younger daughter of the first three-cornered fight.

Baron Rochdale. There were

hree-cornered fight.

Baron Rochdale. There were in the Commons he served three sons and one daughter of on several committees, and was the marriage.

MBE, MP writes:
May I add to your well balanced appraisal of Sam belief in individual freedom as a result of his origins and his worldwide triumphs and his experiences of Nazi Germany.

art collection, in particular from asserted themselves, that was the Post-Impressionists; his something his friends accepted with good humour. There are the Post-Impressionists; his love of music; especially of opera; the taste which marked few people whose passing leaves his homes in New York, such a gap in so many hearts London and in the hills behind and minds, but Sam Spiegel was

Francis Mathew scholarship

St Leonard's School, St Andrews, Fife

man of the Cotton Board. saying that the Government in his early days Barlow thought that the RM garrison at followed the family tradition of Port Stanley was enough to

In July, 1982 Barlow released

a letter written in 1968 by Mr

letter Mr Healey told The Times that Mrs Thatcher, in her letter, in order that the National had been trying to justify the Government vote should not be withdrawal of a naval vessel split. In 1945 he contested the which he had informed Barlow Eddisbury division of Chesbire in his letter would be staying as a National Liberal with the His letter had referred to full support of the local contingencies then foreseen. He Conservative Association, and was not saying that in all was not saying that in all won the seat from Labour by a circumstances would the forces good majority. have been adequate. He had been a member of the group of abolished under the Representation ministers which agreed

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SAM SPIEGEL

The Rt Hon Edward Heath, with international affairs and his extensive contacts in the world of politics, his profound

Sam Spiegel was one of the most cultured and enlightened people one could ever happen He was a most generous host, a mine of information and a to meet. His widespread knowledge of literature, supported by his fluent command of many European languages, his superb times his own dominant gifts

The award, in memory of Mr Mathew, who was manager of The Times from 1949-1965, is open to those between the ages of 18 and 35, and is intended to allow the winner.

The Civil Service Benevolent Fund has launched a £1 million appeal to mark its centenary year. The fund is asking all staff to donate at least £1 and its chairman, Sir Brian Cubbon, has asked all government departments and associated bodies to appoint appeal co-ordinators in all establishments.

Dinner

HM Government
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Secretary of
State for Foriegn and Commonwealth Affaris, and Lady Howe were
hosts yesterday at a dinner at
Lancaster House given in honour of
the Nigerian Foreign Minister,
Professor Bolaji Akinyemi, and Mrs
Akinyemi. **Akinyemi**

Sacred Heart School,

Tunbridge Wells

Spring Term begins today and ends on Wednesday March 26, 1986. Half-term is from Friday, February 14, to Monday, February 17, inclusive Peres visit Mr Shimon Peres, Prime Minister of Israel, will visit the United Kingdom from January 21 to 26.



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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Cuckney and the playboy of the Westland world

Westland shareholders cannot, with any business and now promoted to chief hope of success, demand that Michael Heseltine or Leon Brittan should explain to them their now entrenched positions on the company's future. Instead the people who have actually put cash into Westland must rely on their board of directors to advise them. In theory, shareholders appoint their board of directors. At Westland, shareholders have had most of their current board thrust upon them. As it happens, the Bank of England's choice of Sir John Cuckney as chairman is one with which most shareholders would be well-pleased. He brought the company out of the shadow of insolvency with the projected Sikorsky-Fiat deal. In the circumstances Westland was in, he was right to take the first lifeline thrown to the

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Of the seven men who now comprise the Westland board, only three have been subjected to the scrutiny of the vote. Since the company's problems first came to light there has been a mass exodus of directors, and after his appointment in the summer, Sir John was quick to speed the departures.

In their wake he brought in two new non-executives, neither of whom should be expected to differ from him. Sir John Maldwyn Thomas, whose career took him to the top of Rank Xerox in this country, is already a Cuckney appointee at John Brown where the rescue process is well-advanced. Sir John (C) is chairman, Sir John (MT) is vice-chairman.

There is a similarly strong connection between the Westland chairman and his. other choice of non-executive, the former Conservative MP for Richmond, Anthony Royle, now Lord Fanshawe. They fought together in the struggle, eventually lost, to keep Brooke Bond independent of the giant Unilever. Sir John was in the role where he clearly feels happiest, chairman, and Lord Fanshawe a long-serving

Sir John's third appointment to the board is Charles Verrall, a finance man who came with glowing references from Midland Bank, where he headed the finance side of the domestic banking operations. The talent-spotting chairman was well-placed to trawl through Midland's human assets: he is on the bank's

board as well. The two established Westland men who. have survived the recent purge are William Miller, a technical man who started out as an apprentice to the helicopter firm, and Hugh Parker Stewart, formerly the finance director of the. executive. Although Westland's fiances left much to be desired, it is generally felt that Hugh Stewart did his best within the restrictions that the unwieldy Westland structure imposed. But neither he nor Mr Miller are likely to venture an opinion on whether the American or European links might be best for their company: they must surely be grateful merely to have a future at all.

This leaves shareholders with just one more hope of independent advice from their board. It comes in the seemingly appropriate form of Admiral Sir John Treacher, a former vice-chief of Naval Staff and a member of the Westland board since 1978. He is now vice-chairman. Sir John (T) first hit the headlines when in 1981 he entered the bunnygirls warren and became chief executive of Playboy's operations in the UK. This was a not very subtle attempt by Hugh Heffner and Victor Lowndes to polish Playboy's image and retain three gaming club licences. It failed and Sir John (T) hit the headlines for the second time when after 96 days in office. Playboy was bought by Trident Television and the admiral bowed out with a fair handshake worth more than £400,000.

But his entrepreneurial skills do not stop there. Since 1977 the admiral had been a director of National Car Parks, the company with an unparallelled skill for turning derelict land into streams of cash. Last year when Alan Bristow made his abortive £89 million bid for Westland, NCP's chairman Sir Donald Gosling, a former Navy man himself, said he would back the deal with £5 million. Less then two months earlier the admiral had bowed quietly out of the NCP boardroom, thereby avoiding any embarassment that might have been caused by the Westland board's decision, too late in the day, to back the bid. By then Mr Bristow had become more aware of the scale of Westland's problems and decided to withdraw.

Sir Donald is believed to be left with a personal holding of a few thousand Westland shares. No doubt Sir John Treacher will offer him some friendly advice on how to vote at Tuesday's crucial meeting. Other shareholders, however, are unlikely to hear from anyone except the persuasive, and determined, Sir John Cuckney. Their board speaks with one voice, and there is no doubt whose voice

Chancellor's base rate cloud

downgrading sterling M3 as a totem for maximum incentive for companies to the City, but he has not managed to do the invest under 1985-86 capital allowances same with bank lending. The good news looming, this sort of bank lending figure came first with yesterday's figures for banking December.

A rise of 0.5 to 0.75 per cent for sterling M3 in December was just below the midrange of market expectations. The gilt would appear to be, to say the least, market weighed down by base rate preoccupations since Monday morning

felt bold enough to perk up by an eighth. The bad news was not long in coming. lending during the three-week December coofirm the money markets worst fears

ine Chancellor may have succeeded in ing season, and with the period was something we could have done without

The only crumb of comfort is that raising interest rates to attempt to curb it

caused the new £1 billion "interbank difference" which pushed up sterling M3 it seems to be unwinding. In December, banking month. That was enough to this unwound by £400 million, although Bank officials warn that we should not necessarily expect the remaining £560 In the middle of the corporate tax-pay- million to come off the January figures.

Hanson wins 60% of SCM and boosts battle for Imps

than 60 per cent of the United States conglomerate SCM, and last night dismissed efforts by SCM to obtain a re-hearing of the vital court case which left the way open for Hanson's \$927.5 million bid to proceed.

The New York Appeal Court decision prohibited the SCM board from disposing of some of the most attractive assets of SCM, a typewriter to chemicals company for which Hansoo first bid in August.

Analysts believe SCM's fortunes have reached bottom and are about to turn up, promising huge returns for Hanson.

million bid for Imperial Group in Britain, countering Imperial's allegation than Hanson no longer has the winning touch.
SCM has said it will petition

By Alison Eadie

Theoretically, Mr Posgate is free

to return to work as an

In practice, his application to

be the underwriter of syndicate

162, managed by R. L. Glover

is still waiting for Lloyd's approval, which it will not get. It will fail not because, as Mr

Posgate argues with some justification, the commercial interests of some members of

Lloyd's raing council could be

hurt by the return of such a successful underwriter, but because there are non-prac-

titioners on the council who are

implacably opposed to Mr

Mr Posgate has fallen foul of

Lloyd's twice; in 1970 when he

was severely censured and in 1982 the upshot of which was

Lord Wilberforce's sentence of

He was found guilty of accepting a gift of a Pissaro painting as an inducement to

place business - a charge he has

Lloyd's is currently on trial

thanks in part to the attention of the Labour MP Brian

Sedgemore, to prove it has cleaned itself up since the

loyd's Act was passed in 1983

Posgate has served his sentence and should not be deprived of

his means of livelihood. What is

the point of baving an elaborate

and costly appeals tribunal, which quashes sentences of expulsion, if they are only to be

reimposed by the council under

CURRENCIES

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 11½%
3-month interbank 12½-12%
3-month eligible bills:
buying rate 11½-11½s

London: \$1,4385 (-0.0030) £ DM 3.5120(-0.0128) £ SwFr 2.9780(-0.0005) £ FFr 10.7697(-0.0199) £ Yen 290.02(-0.88)

2 Index: 77.5(-0.4)

\$ Index: 125.1(-0.7) ECU 20.620807

New York: (latest)

SDR 20.0762469

US: Prime Rate 9.50%

£: \$1.4400 \$: DM 2.4425

It could be argued that Mr

suspension in place of previous expulsion.

ospate's return.

always denied.

underwriter.

for a re-hearing of the case, but its chances are thought to be negligible. According to Han-son, several thousand appli-

filed last year, but only five were successful and nooe overturned the decision.

Now Hanson has formally reopened its tender offer of \$75 a share for SCM. This has been extended several times in the past few weeks but the court proceedings have prevented Hanson so far from adding to

By midday yesterday the SCM price on the New York Stock Exchange had moved up \$2 1/2 to \$7474, still below the offer price and indicating that the market expects Hanson to The coup is also seen as a succeed. The new offer expires boost for Hanson in its £1.9 nt midnight on Friday but could be extended

> The SCM takeover has shown American business tactics at their sharpest.

board's first line of defence was a management buyom, funded by Merrill Lynch, hut when Hanson

Hanson Trust now has more cations for re-hearings were produced a cash offer which topped Merrill's \$74 a share nooe mix of cash and paper, the board resorted to the Crown Jewels lock-up".

> It agreed to sell its two most valuable subsidiaries to Merrill at favourable prices should victory by another bidder look

in court claiming that it was contrary to the interests of SCM shareholders. The first hearing went in favour of SCM, which argued that it had to exercise commercial judgment. The Appeal Court was not

unanimous: one of the three judges argued that SCM was at all times acting in the best interests of shareholders in trying to achieve a higher price. It is 00 the basis of her dissent entirely out of American borthat SCM is applying for a re-rowings secured against Hanhearing. However, it is not thought that Merrill would be prepared to raise its offer.

moved up 5p to 200p, despite the general market gloom.

Analysts felt that the benefits of victory in the SCM battle have still to be fully realized. Mr Andrew Melrose, of the stockbrokers Grieveson Grant said: "It is a classic Hanson case." He believed that before Hanson had even begun work on increasing the company's efficiency, SCM should produce Hanson contested this move profits of between \$105 million (£72 million) and \$125 million, more than enough to cover the funding costs of the bid.

> After that, there was wide scope for increasing the profitability of the company which has managed earnings per share growth of an average 3 per cent a year for the last decade.

The takeover is being funded son's American assets and has no bearing on Hanson's finan-cing of its bid for Imperial.

Since delaying the effective date of the proposal, the Fed has received 79 letters of public

comment, including statements of opposition coordinated by the White House, from the Justice Department, the

Treasury, the Commerce De-partment, the Federal Trade

Commission, the Securities and

Exchange Commission, the White House Office of Manage-

ment and Budget and numerous

The Administration questioned strongly the legal authority of the central bank to

apply margin requirement to takeovers financed by junk

Mr Donald Ginsburg, the

The Board's proposal

yesterday, market sources said. This is much higher than is normal at this stage of a takeover battle with acceptance levels traditionally less than 1

> for a rival or higher offer before accepting. Argyll is still waiting to hear from Mr Leon Brittan, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, on whether the bid will be referred to the Mon-

IN BRIEF

Bid boost

for Argyll

Argyll Group had an acceptance level of about 2 per cent for its £1.9 hillion bid for

Distillers by the time the offer reached its first closing date

per cent at the first closing date.

Investors usually wait to the last

possible moment allowing time

opolies and Mergers Commission According to unconfirmed

reports, ministers will discuss the takeover at tomorrow's full Cahinet meeting. Mr Brittan has been delaying the decision until he can discus the offer with colleagues, the reports

Meanwhile Distillers has to correct, at the request of the Takeover Panel, an impression given in one of its press adertisements that the Panel was still considering a com-plaint by Distillers against Argyll.

Trust ahead

London Investment Trust lifted profits from £1.51 million to £2.01 million before tax in the six months to September 30. Turnover was up from £11.5 million to £16.3 million and the dividend is 0.47p (0.44p). Tempus, page 18

HK record

Hong Kong share prices surged 19 points to close at a record high of 1,815.53 yesterday. The previous record of 1.810.20 was set on July 17,

The merger of British Home Stores and Habitat Mothercare under an offer from Storehouse, a new company, is now fully unconditional, Storehouse has received acceptances for 56.90 pct of BHS ordinary shares and 72.05 pct of Habitat shares.

Banks in talks

Commercial banks from Europe and North America are meeting World Bank and Intercational Monetary Fund officals in Washington this week to discuss the Baker plan. They are the highest level since the plan was proposed.

Alcan charges

Alcan Aluminium says its 1985 fourth quarter earning will nelude special charges of \$350 million (£243 million) (\$2.15 a

Shanghai fleet

The city of Shanghai has launched its own airline with a fleet of five Boeing 707s, the New China News Agency reported.

Motoring school

The British School of Motoring has been ordered by the Advertising Standards Authority to stop using its slogan BSM where most people pass the first time" because it could

not substaniate its claim.

A BSM spokesman said yesterday that it had produced a new slogan "We're right by your side," as a replacement.

Dire fate

Sydney (AP) - A student parody of Money for Nothing by the pop group Dire Straits has been withdrawn from the airwaves after complaints from the group's Australian agent-

There was a £2.1 billion rise in bank growth in November. But whatever it was,

counter-productive. The Bank still has not worked out what

the auspices of a "fit and proper" person test? Mr Posgate has already spent around £400,000 defending imself against charges brough by Lloyd's, the most serious of which were dismissed. He is not likely to stop here and can be expected to go for a judicial review in the High Court, when Lloyd's gives Glover the thumbs down.

.....96p+11p .4.50p+0.50p

.109p +11p30p +2p .488p +45p

Fed battle over 'junk' bonds Six-month **Posgate** Washington suspension The United States Federal Reserve Board, faced with the expires

strong displeasure of the White House, vote today on a controversial proposal to limit the use of "junk" bonds in corporate takeovers. The six-month suspension imposed by Lord Wilberforce on Ian Posgate, the former "Goldfinger" of the Lloyd's market, expired at midnight.

Federal Reserve governors, led by Mr Paul Volcker, the chairman, voted 3 to 2 earlier to place margin requirements on below investment grade junk bonds to restrict their use in the present wave of corporate nergers.

The proposal was to become

effective on January 1, but in response to sharp criticism from the White House the decision was delayed to allow time for more comment. The battle underway, how-

ever, appears 10 be a hroader confrontation between Mr Volcker and Mr Donald Regan, the White House Chief of Staff, who regards any attempt to contributing to a restrict corporate mergers as an of corporate deht.



Paul Volcker: at odds with

Mr Volcker has supported the proposal forcefully on the grounds that the unrestricted contributing to a proliferation

Donald Regan assault on the Administration's free market policies.

assistant attorney general, in charge of antitrust enforcement use of junk bonds, which are usually issued by shell corporwould destroy the market for corporate control, which disciations with little or no assets, is plines inefficient management and enables shareholders to maximize their investment."

Societies fear delay

Nissan UK puts £50m into sales

By Edward Townsend Industrial Correspondent

Nissan UK, the privately-owned importer of cars from the Japanese motor group, said yesterday it had now invested £50 million in increased sales capacity to cope with output from the new car manufacturing

Sons, the main contractor for

the factory, handed it over to

Nissan on time on Christmas

The plant's initial output will be assembled from kits im-

ported from Japan and will have only about 20 per cent European

content they will be sold by Nissan UK's 350 dealers and

will count against the Japanese motor industry's voluntary re-

straint agreement on the British

Market which effectively limita

the collective Japanese share to

11 per cent.

the summer recess, delaying its bership. It is likely to include implementation until well into Mr Ian Stewart, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, his Wear.
Parliamentary secretary, Mr The The company, which its owner, Mr Octav Botnar, and Barry Henderson, Sir George Young, Parliamentary under Nissan of Japan have agreed Secretary at the Department of Employment, and Mr Tim should eventually be owned by the Japanese, has appointed new dealers and refurbished sales premises in preparation for 2,000 cars a month from Washington in its first phase. Sir Robert McAlpine and

Opposition members are expected to include Dr Oonagh MacDonald, Labour finance spokesman, Mr Austin Mitchell

Sainsbury, government whip.

Coffee prices up sharply

in competition Bill

By Richard Thomson

Building society chiefs fear unsecured lending and general that the Building Societies Bin insurance activities will into which clauses enabling enable the societies to compete

societies to convert themselves on more equal terms with banks into public companies are and other financial services expected to be inserted at the institutions.

Committee Stage - will not MPs meet next Wednesday to

have its third reading until after decide the committee's mem-

Coffee prices rose almost to heir highest level for nine years in London yesterday after the export commisments. It said the Brazilian Coffee Institute confutures market was anticipating firmed forecasts of a severe fail in the coffee crop.

One said yesterday: "The

delay will seriously erode our

competitive position with the

The usual six-month gap

between the Royal assent and

an Act's implementation would

mean that societies could not

move into new ares of business

before April 1987 at the earliest.

These new areas - such as

next year.

banks".

The BCI estimated the 1986-87 crop at 16.7 million bags. The 1984-85 crop was 30 million bags, and the 1985-86 crop is likely to be 24 million. A bag is 60 kilogrammes.

pect the market to rise much

Robusta coffee for delivery in March rose in London from £2,852 a tonne on Monday to £3,010 yesterday. Traders ex-

But BCI yesterday said Brazil had enough stocks to meet its a frost on top of the drought which already has affected the

BCI office in London, said: "Brazil has enough coffee to go on supplying its tradicional volumes to the world market for the rest of this year."

Mr Jorio Dauster, head of the

In March last year, Brazil's stocks were 11 million bags. This year's count is expected to reveal an increase of about 5 million bags.

Although there has been no formal announcement by Nissan, it is clear the company intends to proceed with the second phase of the develop-ment and produce 160,000 cars a year at Washington in 1988.

ITC heads consider

By Michael Prest Financial Correspondent

yesterday's informal meeting of heads of delegations to the International Tin Council to discuss the financing plan of Mr Peter Graham, senior deputy chairman of Standard Char tered Bank, and Mr Ralph Kestenbaum, managing director

The plan, for £320 million of financing to be put up by banks, brokers and ITC governments, now is the most serious proposal before the council. Earlier plans officially are still on the table, but have been pushed aside.

The tin crisis broke oo October 24 last year when the ITC said that it could no longer finance supporting tin prices. Tin trading on the Londoo Metal Exchange has been suspended since then. The LME and the ITC the day after.

More firms employ headhunters as recruiting intensifies

A discreet telephone call to "If headhunters weren't around an executive asking him to meet signal that headhunters are on the prowL

These days few jobs paying more than £30,000 a year are advertised. Instead a company calls in recruitment specialists, or headhunters. It will tell them the sort of man it is looking for and wait for the candidates to be wheeled in.

to deliver him for a suitable fat

search consultants", as it describes itself.

prospects for their talents elsewhere."

This view was echoed by Mr Walter Goldsmith, the former tive chairman of Korn/Ferry. including bonuses.

they would have 10 be invented. for a chat about his future is the I don't see any other way you can provide senior talent for senior jobs", he said. It is not just boardroom jobs which are filled by headhunters.

They are oow being called in to formance from all tiers of of the Institute of Directors, management and are ready to said: "I feel it is an intrusion pay large salaries to get the right into other people's companies. calibre of staff. They are determined to get value for

One of the leading firms of Associates said: "Firms have to be very harmful. If firms want beadhunters is Korn/Ferry be more efficient these days to people they should advertise International - "executive survive and finding the right and leave it to individuals to people is the key.

The basic task of a headhunter involves straightforward research into the candidate's background, his performance in his existing job and, most important, how others in the same industry rate him.

Goddard Kay Rogers, which specializes in jobs at £45.000 or more, charges a fee of £15,000

With brokers changing job. for six-figure salaries as part of the hig bang, commissions earned by some of the consultants have been considerable.

But the view in some areas is that headhunters are becoming an unhealthy intrusion into fill appointments lower down.

One reason is that companies

Masterman, who heads the are demanding improved per
Devon and Cornwall branches Picking up the telephone and making a call to someone who oney may be quite happily involved in their job with the aim of director of Russell Reynolds enticing them somebere else can decide whether they want to respood to a challenge else-

where or not." Mr David Shellard disagrees. "Do you know that the day an American executive arrives in his new job he completes his cv and seeds it out to headhunters

to let them know where he is? "People don't just leave jobs for money. Either they want for filling an appointment more opportunities or their Firms like Korn/Ferry base ambitions are frustrated and a more opportunities or their their charges on one-third of the change of job can suddenly

executive's first year's salary provide them with the scope they need.

Property firm aims for cash

Stock Conversion, the property company, is to redeem FT and Ord £7.53 million of debenture stock FT All Shart nine years early, clearing the way for it to come to the market for a large amount of money soon. It is believed that it could New York raise up to £100 million. It may, like other property companies, go for a debenture

the company's determination to shake off its once sleepy image. It has become a more active company in the past few months. It has a £60 million development programme over the next three years and the company plans more investment and development It has more than £20 million

issue for long-term money.

The move is seen as part of

White City site, in London, to The City is watching Stock Coversion closely. It has Stock- New York: lev as an unwelcome 26.5 per cent shareholder and moves by Sir Jeffrey Sterling's Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company are focusing attention

in hand from the sale of its

on the property company.
P&O has bought 20.8 per cent of European Ferries, which has a potential 29.9 per cent stake in Stockley. Speculation is increasing that P&O might bid for the whole of European Ferries using it as an indirect way into Stock Conversion. Mr Jonathan Lane, the joint managing director of Stock Beazer has raised its offer by Conversion, said: Any ap 25 per cent and further share proaches from Sir Jeffrey would buying yesterday lifted its stake

company and we have every

intention of staying that way."

MARKET SUMMARY **MAIN PRICE CHANGES** STOCK MARKETS

RISES: **DBE Technology** Pepe Group __14(5.2 (-8.9) 25.362 Bargains ______25,362 Datastream USM107.21 (+0.21) Gabicci 1558.48 (+10.90) Dow Jones Tokyo Nikkei Dow ..12991.24 (-62.55) Hong Kong: Hang Sang . Amsterdam: TDS Circuits ... British Benzol .1815.53 (+18.94) Bedford (William) Sintrom Sydney: AO Frankfurt: .1032.3 (+4.3) 2029.9 (-19.0) Commerzbank810.34 (-10.42) Bruntons Mussel. Balley (C.H.) Sunleigh Elect. ... Prestwick Hidgs. Paris: CAC . Zurich: .516.60 (-5.6) SKA General GOLD FALLS: London flaing:

Arlen Elect.

Assd. Brit. Eng.

East Rand Cons.

Lee Cooper Group18.50p +1p57p +3p38p -5p200p -25p43p -5p90p -10p Edin. Oil & Gas am \$328.90pm - \$330.00 close \$329.50-330.00 (£228.50-Pengkalen Multitone Elect.

Petranol ... Inch Kenneth Rubber500p -50p Comex \$330.25 Beazer and Kier COMPANY NEWS discuss new bid

The chairman of the construction groups C. H. Beazer and French Kier met yesterday to fry to resolve the £146 million takeover battle. The meeting - between Mr Brian Beazer and Mr John Mott - was described as brief.

recommendation for its new

terms which it says are final.

be most unwelcome. We are an in French Kier to 40 per cent. It

independent and profitable is now keen to secure a

• PRITCHARD SERVICES: The company has disposed of its French and Belgian subsidiaries and a lossmaking extering offshoot in Austra-lia. Combined with the sales of surplus properties, total proceeds will be about £4 million, including a small amount of deferred payments. ALBERT FISHER GROUP: The company, through its wholly-owned offshoot, Northside Truck

Centre, has bought Charles Sidney, the Mercedes-Benz car franchise in Bradford. • PEPE GROUP: For the halfyear to Sept 30, with figures in £000, turnover was 14,133 (8,783), while the pretax profit was 1,861 (1,206). Earnings per share were 4.3p (3.6p). An interim dividend of 1.5p is being paid, compared with a single dividend of 1.5p for last year.

© GILBERT HOUSE INVEST MENTS: For the half-year to Sept 28, with figures in £000, gross rents were 242 (229); while the pretax profit was 1 (121). Earnings per 10 (127) and 10 (127). share were 0.003p (0.274p). • WEBER HOLDINGS: For the

being paid. More company news on page 18

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finance plan

Little progress was made at

Some governments, notably west Germany, have welcomed with the previous nine months, with figures in £000m turnover was 1.540 (188) while the pretax profit was 356 (198). Earnings per share were 8.44p (2.62p). A total dividend of 3p (2p) financial responsibility.

is due to meet on January 13, of Directors, who is non-execu-

Sometimes the company will dentify the man it wants, who is often working for a rival firm, and leave it to the professionals money

The managing partner Mr Stephen Rowlinson said: "We are not after people who are looking for a job. We want people who are already doing a top job and who can be persuaded that there are better

director general of the Institute

John Menzies: Mr Dermot

U.K. and C. T. Bowring & Co

(Insurance) whilst retaining chairmanship of C. T. Bowring

Reinsurance and his director

ship of Winchester Bowring, Mr Charles Cullum and Mr Hady

Wakefield have been appointed

joint chief executives of C. T.

Mr Philip Wroughton

Executive Service Overseas:

Viscount Boyd of Merton has

Cartmore Investment Man-

agement: Mr G. A. Adkin, Mr P. Pearson Lund, Mr P. A.

Scott, Mr R. H. Stedall and Mr

D. W. Watts have joined the board. Mr P. N. Buckley has

been elected chairman and Mr

W. Campbell Allan, deputy

Smith & Nephew Associated

Companies: Mr Michael J.

Kiely and Mr Terry F. Winter

Pressac Holdings: Mr Geof-frey Charles White becomes

Wolstenholme Rink: Mr

Airclaims Group: Mr Buchan

The Rughy Portland Cement:

WA Holdings: Mr Brian

Marshall has been appointed

Mr Patrick Jackson is to be

chief executive of the Rugby

North has becone chairman in

place of Mr Wilfred Airey who

has retired as chairman hnt

been appointed a director.

Jack Nutter becomes a non-

have become directors

group financial director.

executive director.

Cement division.

The Council of British

Bowring Reinsurance.

Interest rate worries send stores shares tumbling By Derek Pain and Pam Spooner Stores shares took a hammering yesterday as institutional investors decided it was time to reduce the size of their holdings in the sector. Retail sales were booming in the sector. By Derek Pain and Pam Spooner the level of beer consumption. 1984 and 1985 Tomkins made spectacular progress on the stock market, but further strong the jobbers had too much stock. By Derek Pain and Pam Spooner the level of beer consumption. 1984 and 1985 Tomkins made spectacular progress on the stock market, but further strong the jobbers had too much stock market, but further strong the jobbers had too much stock heliance the size of their holdings in the sector. Retail sales were booming in the sector.

Retail sales were booming in the City is now anticipating a while in other places - notably slow-down caused by the among the takeover tips - adverse movement of interest jobbers were hoping to encourrates. Money markets in recent days have shown signs of on their books. interest rates moving upward.

term flurry, and is not followed through by a rise in base lending rates, analysts reckon there is little chance of a cut in rates for some months to come.

Given that stores shares have been strong throughout 1985, such predictions indicate that the sector is about to run out ot steam. The stores index in fact reached a peak on November 25, the day the rest of the the stock market reached record levels last year, and has shown a steady decline since.

Another negative factor is that bid activity among retailers appears to have subsided. The Habitat-Mothercare/British strengthened against the dollar Habitat-Mothercare/British Home Stores link-up went but weakeoed against European unconditional yesterday, and currencies. there is no sign of takeover

CH Industrials could be prepar-Banro Industries. Yesterday it disclosed another small hav of Banro shares, lifting its holding to 27.8 per cent. CH, which like and components, is free to renew hostilities in April. Banro was nnchanged at 130p.

action at Boots, the high street chain which has been tipped as

Profit-taking after the recent good profits figures has also set management approach". in at Boots, and its share price Alr Kevin Feeny dropped 9p to 252p. Other large price falls included Harris-Queensway, down 14p at 218p, Freemans and Grattan, both down 12p at 238p. BHS, down 22p at 310p.Burton Group, 18p lower at 525p, Dixons Gronp, 25p off at 879p, Etam, down 8p at 296p, Great Universal Stores 'A', down 33p at 777p, Hahitat, 32p lower at 428p, John Hepworth, 7p off at 210p, Marks and Spencer, 5p down at 167p, Sears Holdings, down 5p at 107½p, and Woolworth Holdings, 17p to the bad at

There was a general shortage of optimism elsewhere in the stock market yesterday, with

on board, and so wanted to November and December, but discourage more heavy selling

not encouraging.

Profit growth, he suggests, will come on the retail side from managed pubs, discotheores and horels

ays have shown signs of on their books.

By the end of the day the FT

Even if this proves a short
So share index had fallen 6.5

Interest and notes.

Among oils Burmah Oil

continued to win takeover support, rising 7p to 284p. Mr

Gerald Ronson's Heron Interest

Sobering tidings for Distillers, awaiting the decision whether the hid from Aygyll Group will be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. According to Impact, an American research group, the three Distillers brands in the world top 20 lost sales in the past four years. Gordon's gin (in fifth place) declined 13.1 per cent; Johnnie Walker Red Label Scotch whisky (sixth) fell 2.2 per cent and Dewar's Scotch (20th) lost 2.6 per cent. Distillers abares slipped 7p to 488p.

100 share index was 8.9 points lower at 1415.2. Government stock prices drifted, roughly, £% lower, with the day's money

Lonrho, the international trading group, hucked the trend. The shares gained 9p to 215p on the gathering impression that ing another takeover strike at Mr T. Boone Pickens, the American share trader, and his associates were building up a

shareholding. Breweries were mixed. But Banro is involved in car trims two leading brokers are bullish about the sector, Wood, Mackenzie & Co. expects the beer market to display "good five years. The present hid at 116p. ferment had drawn attention to the scope for a more dynamic

Alr Kevin Feeny at W. Greenwell & Co. also expects

points to 1135.3, and the FT-SE national remains the market's favourite to bid but there is also talk of J. Rothschild Holdings and others busy stake building.

Cadhury Schweppes, another takeover favourite, fell 1p to 154p. Laurie, Milbank & Co., the broker, has trimmed its 1985 profits forecast from £115 million to £108 million. In the previous year the group made £124 million. The broker believes that once Cadbury has sorted out its North American problems profits should bounce substantially".

DDT Group, a computer maintenance group, held at 128p as 5 per cent of the capital, from a liquidated investment trust portfolio, was placed with institutions by Simon & Coates, the broker. The placing, said to growth" for the first time for be 10 times oversubscribed, was

Profit-taking set in at F H the brewers rich asset base "and Tomkins, the engineering and doubled pretax profits on Monday. The share price lost 11p to 225p, and there are signs the industry to have a good year that the City expects the shares but he is not optimistic about to hit a quiet patch. During

Traded option highlights

reached 14,042 contracts yester- ICI notched up 1,060 contracts at 459p. day, with Lourho again standing traded, and the stock exchange out on the lists. Some 3,171 index option had volume of 917. contracts in the overseas trader were bought and sold, as market speculation about the group expiry date for January cur-

Hanson. York yesterday - also saw a date.

Total traded options husiness high volume of 1,386 contracts.

Investors please not that the rency option is this Friday, the where the City 10th. In yesterday's edition of expects the hid for SCM in the The Times a printing error US to go through - Hansoo was incorrectly suggest that all hnying SCM Shares in New traded options expire on that

Total imports

were also trimmed back, with recent stock market favourite Lucus Industries slipping to 500p at one stage. By the close, however, Lucas was back at 505p, just a net 6p down on the

day.
T I Group, where the City
still waits for bid action from Evered Holdings, slipped 8p to 371p, and Hawker Siddeley lost 10p to 455p, Vickers fell 8p to 300p, and Westland was 5p down at 78p. The political wrangle over the helicopter maker, Westland, continues, even market talk of a possible takeover bid from British Aerospace was no help to the

BAe itself saw a good recovery in its share price during the day. From an early loss of 8p the shares ended a 481p, a net 5p higher. Tody the group is expected to announce details of yet more aircraft orders, largely from civil rather than military huyers.

Share prices among the

Wood Mackenzie, the broker has put n "huy" tag on United Scientific Holdings. The City firm says that the managemen is recovering its grip on the defence equipment company. leading to profits of £12.5 million in 1985/6, against £10.0 million last time. Big orders are expected soon. Meanwhile, USH shares were unchanged yesterdny at 183p.

leading clearing banks were industrial group which reported trimmed in line with the general market trend, though Barclays Bank was particularly weak following a downgraded profit forecast from W. Greenwell. The broker reckons 1985 profits will be £870 million, against a previous estimate of £890 million, and the Barclay share dipped 15p to 454p in early trade before ending the session

> Jaguar recovered from early losses to show a lp gain on the day to 351p. The car maker is still enjoying this week's good news from America, where sales of its vehicles continue to grow.

Insurance shares managed to haive carly falls. Pearl Assurance finished 15p lower at

APPOINTMENTS **TEMPUS**

Jenkinson has joined the board. Plessey: Mr John Saunders From De Beers, a gem has become director of strategic planning, corporate staff. Robertson Research: Pro-fessor W. W. McBride Brown, group chief executive and Mr L. that sparkles again

with that monster of its own creation, the diamond market, and the latest Central Selling Organisation rough diamond sales figures suggest that the syndicate may be winning. De and chief operating officer. He will join the boards of Bowring Beers' profits this year should benefit accordingly.

During the second half of

last year, CSO Sales amagunted to \$986 million (£685 milion), the highest sixmonth total for the last five years. It was a comfortable 18 per cent improvement over the first half of 1985, and 48 per cent higher than the same period of 1984. Overall sales rose by 13 per cent over 1984, to \$1,823 million.

But it is the rand figures which will make the Johanneshurg computers hum. The devaluation pushed second half rand income up to R2,351 million (£644 million) more than double the figure for the corresponding six months of 1984. Rand income for the whole of 1985 was R4,027 million, up 75 per cent on

The rising trend is unmistakable, and industry sources expect what they coyly call further consolidation" in 1986. It would be prudent, nevertheless, to separate the general improvement in the world economy, particularly in the biggest markets of the United States, Germany and Jnpan, from the specific changes in the diamond market In 1984, the Russians

sharply increased sales of polished stones and the dollar's strength deterred huvers in other currencies. But last year these factors went into reverse, the diamond banks, notably in Israel, became more liberal in granting credit to the trade. These special factors may not apply in 1986. Still, the result is that De

Beers has recently widened the range of stones sold to the trade to ioclude the more expensive varieties. But De Beers shareholders should not be too eager: the extra revenue may be gobbled up by debt

Much depends on the infamous diamond stockpile. The stockpile figures due in March will tell us whether De Beers has quelled the monster.

Swedish shares

continues as a non-executive director. Mr P. Levinson has The Swedish stock market an uncharacteristic rush of blood to the head

De Beers has grappled mightly yesterday as a rash of shares over the past four or five years was suspended in response to rumours of a deal between Volvo and Fermenta, the wonder biotechnology com-

> In all the shares of five companies which would be affected by the deal had their trading on the Swedish stock exchange suspended froni-cally. Volvo was not among

Full details of the deal are expected today and in essence it could restructure quite substantially the Swedish pharmaceutical industry. Fermenta, which has been roaring ahead on the back of its development penicillin technology, hopes acquire the interests which Volvo has in Pharmacia and Sonnesson, in return, Volvo would become a significant shareholder in Fermenta, rationalizing its own minority

holdings in the process.

The total value of the deal is estimated to be as much as SKr billion (£400 million). Its importance to the Swedish pharmaceutical industry is high

tors.
Some investors may now find that their cash will find its way into new ownership and there is nothing that they can do about it. Unlike in Britain, there is no requirement for a Swedish company to make a formal offer to all shareholders when control of a company changes hands.

The proposed deal may therefore result in some investors finding that their cash is tied up as part of a minority which has no obvious escape route. Clearly this was a risk which was known at the outset, but such a massive rationalization of one industry would hardly have been discounted at the time.

The message for those who can still sell after the Volvo-Fermenta deal is to do so as soon as possible.

London Inv Trust

London Investment Trust is a terrible misnomer for a comsecurities and futures.

yesterday as a rash of shares suffered from neglect in most was suspended in response to areas of the City, despite widespread interest in most financial companies ahead of the hig being. As a result both pany run by the Eyptian Mr Montagu Investment Manage ment and Throgmorion Trust have been able to buy lines of stock without posting up the share price.

investors seem more concerned about the risks of another bad debt. after the large write-off two years ago than about future prospects The second half looks promis ing even though the first-hal figures, out yesterday disap-pointed the market. Profits only rose from £1.81 million to

Progress was held back by exchange rate movemen which cut into the value of American profits and margins on Chicago futures business also fell. As this has been the main source of profit in recent years, growth will be more difficult to achieve. Recovery depends largely on the agricultural market.

Meanwhile, the company's but it also has significant two other main operations are implications for British inves- growing. At home Bailey growing. At home Bailey Shatkin, a subsidiary, is possibly the largest operator on the London international Finan-Futures Exchange cual accounting for more than 10 per cent of the business in the

It is hopeful of communed expansion, perticularly once the new regulatory regime is sorted out. Bailey would like to see segregated clients' accounts. partly because this would give confidence to new players in the market. But this looks unlikely for some months.

In the shorter term, Rialcor the American securities operation, should produce better results, as the first quarter of the calendar year is always its

- The only blackspot is Centrespur, whose business has been affected by the changes. But if the group can make an acquisition soon, this should become less important. A strong financial position

and the combination of brokpany which is neither an ingactivities could well appeal investment trust nor even an to one of the large money investment company. The broking houses. Both Mercanname gives no hint of the tile and Exco have cash to company's real activity which spare and if the shares continue is the broking and clearing of at their present level they may decide to absorb some of it Perhaps because there is with a bid. At 25p the shares confusion about its purpose, yield 7 per cent and sell on the company of the company. the company's shares have eight times earnings.

Japan to seek rate action

Tokyo (AFP) - Japan is to action to cut interest rates in talks in London and Washing-

The Finance Minister, Mr Noboru Takeshita, who is to visit Britain and the United States for the next ten days starting on January 16, said yesterday that would be the focus of his meetings.

He told reporters that Japan could not "go it alone" because. while trying to spur its flagging economy, it had to keep the yen

His plea follows a statement on TV by the Premier, 'Mr Yasuhro Nakasone, that: "If we lower interest rates (together). economic activity in all countries will pick up."

Mr Nakasone believes a concerted reduction in interest

rates should be top of the agenda of a summit of the seven leading industrialized nations -Britain, Canada, the United States, West Germany, Japan, France and Italy - to be held in Tokyo in May. But he wants finance ministers of the seven to meet before

then to reduce interest rates. Tokyo is also hoping for another meeting of the Group of Five - Britain, Japan, the United States, West Germany,

Base Lending Rates

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Exporters fight American bias in drive to step up Taiwan sales

BRITAIN AND TAIWAN'S TRADE

1981

21,200

By Simon Scott Plummer

Britain is beginning to pay attention to Taiwan as a trading nariner even if it continues to hold it at arm's length diplomatically. The London Chamber of Commerce, sponsored by Bar-clays Bank, sent its first mission to Taipei in November after n visit hy Lord Jellicoe, chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, in August 1984.

This new interest is due primarily to the size of the laiwanese economy, one of Asia's great success stories in the past 25 years. In 1984 the island's export and imports were worth more than \$52 billion, about the same level of China's. lis per capita output had reached about \$2,770 and by the end of 1985 its reserves stood at \$22.2 billion.

Two-way trade with Britain in 1984 came to over £735 million, according to the Department of Trade and Industry, and to over £830 million (conversing at the year-end rate of \$1.18 to the £), according to the Taiwanese Ministry of Economic Affairs which includes British exports sent via Hong Kong and other places. This compares with DTI figures for trade with China of about

The balance is tipped heavily In Taiwan's favour and one of Lord Jellicoe's main purposes was to seek ways of correcting it. The British deficit was about £210 million in 1982 and £329 million in 1983. In 1984 it came to £434 million (£334 million if British indirect exports are

Our main deliveries to Taiwan consist of organic chemicals and machinery. From Taiwan we buy office machines and data processing equipment, telecommunication and recording apparatus, textiles, foot-wear, electrical machinery and components, and travel goods. The trend in Taiwanese exports is for increased sales of electronic and electrical consumer

22,600 Total exports 22,200 Source: Ministry of Economic Affairs, Talpel N KORE LELLOW



the scale, British hopes are pinned on the construction of consultants has won the design contract for the first phase and in June the government-funded Anglo-Taiwan Trade Committee and British companies with experience of metro building organized a seminar in

Taipei to parade their skills.

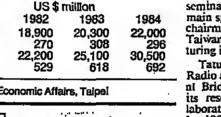
It is hoped that construction work will start towards the end scheduled for completion in 1990 at an estimated cost of \$860 million, and there are between the railway terminus show in Taipei in March. and the suburb of Hsintien.

soft projects of which the government expects to spend \$16 billion. Of the others, the fourth nuclear power plant has so far proved disappointing for Britain. NEI Parsons tendered for the turbine generators but the project was shelved in 1982 it out to tender again.

This reinforces British

officials' suspicion of a Taiwanese bias towards the United States. Half of the island's enjoys a surplus of about \$10 billion on two-way trade of \$16 billion.

As protectionist sentiment





the Telford factory

What are the prospects in the the pressure is on Taipei to other direction? At the top of redress this imbalance by buying American. In October in announced it would ease restrican underground railway in tions on imports of US wine. Taipei. A group of British beer and tobacco. The British are wondering when these concessions will be extended to other countries as well. Members of the London

Chamber of Commerce mission liken the Taiwanese market to the Japanese; you will succeed if you have something different, probably high technology, and can deliver oo time at a of this year. A 14.3-mile stretch competitive price. Pollution between Taipei and Tamshui is control equipment and medical instruments are two areas mentioned, but the director of a \$860 million, and there are firm selling fashion furs was plans for an extension, costing also well received by the an estimated \$670 million, Taiwanese and plans to hold a

The Taiwanese would like to and the suburb of Hsinuen.

The underground is one of 14 enter into joint ventures with big projects on which the British companies, marrying our design capability and our design capability and technology with their mass production skills. Mr Robert Devereux, a

director of the Wellcome Foundation, who led the Lon-don chamber mission, said and there is now talk of putting things were still not good it out to tender again. right direction. A few years ago Wellcome would not have put patented pharmaceuticals on the Taiwanese market: today exports go to America and it Zovirax, a new synthetic antiviral product, is on sale there. At the same time that the London chamber team was in

Taipei. Telford Development

Around 130 people attended a seminar at which one of the main speakers was Dr T. S. Lin, chairman of Tatung, the only Taiwanese company manufacturing in Britain.

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Radio and Television's factories • KUNICK LEISURE GROUP: nt Bridgnorth, Shropshire, and its research and development laboratory at Bradford in 1981. In 1985 it moved both these operations to Telford, where it has converted an aluminium smelting plant which belonged to GKN. The company has invested

nbout £20 million in Britain over the past four years and today employs about 1,000 people making colour television microcomputers and colour monitors. It also produces part of a video display unit for IBM. Production of television sets is running at about 250,000 a year but that of the "Einstein" computer is negligible. Since it was launched in June 1984 sales have totalled about £5 million. According to Mr C. S. Lin,

the company secretary, Tatung (UK) was profitable by its second year. He expects only to break even in 1985 on a turnover of £35 million - the move to Telford meant that customer demand could not be met - but predicts a sales increase of more than 50 per cent this year. The British Government's

treatment of Tatung is typical of its ambivalent attitude to Taiwan. The company received no grant for setting up in Telford, where it is one of the largest employers in an area with unemployment above 20 per cent, but Mr Norman Lamont, then industry minister, opened the factory in July. Likewise, the Government funds the Anglo-Taiwan Trade Committee, which has offices in

London and Tainei, but at too low a level to be effective. Mr Devereux, who is looking nt how other countries which recognize Peking operate in Taipei, compares the one man in the Atte's Taipei office with a office there and points out that Austrian exports have risen ivefold since 1980. Either do it properly or don't bother" is the comment of Mr Barry Exton, of Barclays Bank, deputy leader of the London chambe

From the Taiwanese side there are complaints of delays in getting visas and work permits for Britain because applications are processed in strengthens across the Pacific, Corporation was there trying to Hong Kong rather than Taipei. S. A. Titech Europe.

COMPANY NEWS

FINDHÓRN FINANCE: Temporary suspension of listing of the 8½ per cent loan stock was sales

in the Shropshire new 10wn.

of inter-group indebtedness. The balance is payable on completion of Edgar's 1985 accounts.

The group has acquired 50 per cent of Music Hire Group, one of the leading operators of amusement machines in Britain, with about 5,000 machines, for £700,000.

NORTON VILLIERS TRI-UMPH: By Jan 3, Morgan Nicholls had received shares (72.5 per cent). The offer has been extended until Jan 31 by granger conditional or Jan 31, bot remains conditional on acceptances of not less than 90 per

TILBURY GROUP Shareholders have approved the disposal of Tilbury Roadstone. The disposal has now been completed. **OKEYWEST INVESTMENTS:** The company is 10 buy Brint Australia, a subsidiary of Brint Investments of Britain, for just under Aus \$2.9 million (about £1.37

OBIRMINGHAM MINT: The company's offshoot, Electro-Precision Components, has acquired the business and certain assets Wire Products and Machine Desi Group. The value of the assets being acquired is about £250,000. BARRACK MINES: This Aus-

tralian gold producer has raised its stake in the 35,000 tonne a month Horseshoe Lights Gold Mine near Meekatharra, Western Australia, to. 57 per cent. Barrack has paid Aus \$3.5 million (£1.65 million) in cash-plus a commitment for 445 ounces of gold deliverable from September, 1986, production at Horseshoe BASS: The company, through

BASS: The company, through its offshoot, Bass Leisure, has bought Ladbroke Machine Services, COPE ALLMAN INTERNATIONAL: The company's offshoot, J. B. and S. Lees, is to acquire from Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds, Firth Cleveland Steel Strip and its sales associate in the US, Firth Cleveland Steels, for £3.8 million. The deal is subject to not being referred to the Monopolies Commission. KLEINWORT BENSON GILT

● KLEINWORT BENSON GILT FUND: Results for the nine months to December 31 include a third interim dividend of 31.6p (31.4p), making 94.54p (89.88p) so far on participating redeemable preference shares. The dividend is payable on February 28. Gross revenue was £1.445million (£1.489millioa) and net revenue £1.306million (£1.1439 million). • G. M. FIRTH (HOLDINGS): A

subsidiary. Clarkes of Stillington, has acquired from Phibro-Salomon the steel stockholding business and related trading assets of Charles Wade Steel for about £700,000 cash. This represents a continuation

Firth's plans to expand in the steel stockholding area.

INCO ALLOY PRODUCTS: Negotiations have been completed for the acquisition of the tangible and intangible assets of the former.

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their separate indemnities and products.

• FIRST SCOTTISH AMERICAN TRUST: The issue of #20

TRUST: The issue of #20 CAN TRUST: The issue of £20 million debentive stock, 2016, has been placed by Robert Fleming and Co. at £99.745 per £100 nominal. The gross redemption yield, at the coupon rate of 11.5 per cent, was 11.522 per cent.

WYALTHE board has decided to reorganize the group structure. A new company will be formed for this purpose.

FITCH LOVELLI The company bound of the purpose.

● BKC: Talks are on for a management boyout at Beartwood Furniture at Prescot, Merseyside. BICC involvement with Heartwood Fich has paid £1.5 million in cash BICC involvement with Heartwood Fitch has paid £1.5 million in cash will cease with the closure of the and has issued to the vendors £1.7 Prescot plant on Feb. 7. Assets of intilion in loan stocks. A further about £1 million are involved sum may be payable, based on Heartwood produces pine bedroom and kitchen furniture and employs.

• GOLDSMITHS GROUP: The administration and management of Goldsmiths' insurance division will Goldsmiths insurance division will be provided by Swinton Holdings. This will result in the closure of the insurance head office at Southend. Swinton is the largest private insurance broker in the country, operating 164 offices. It will bring to Goldsmiths access to more competi-live rate and a wider range of insurance policies.

own resources to a wood range of insurance policies.

SIEBE: The company has acquired Deutsche Tecalemii for 39 million marks (about £11 million) cash. Assets of up to £16.92 million net have been purchased. Siebe has arranged the financing through its own resources by a mark-denominated loan, via a leading German PARKDALE HOLDINGS: The

directors report that the company continues to trade at a "satisfac-

ory" level and the board is busy evaluating a number of oppor-tunities in the property sector. The financial services division's results financial services division's results to date are in line with those for the same period last year. Parkdale Properties has acquired the freehold interest: in 62/66. High Street, Skipton, Yorkshize, for £265,000.

BRITANNIC ASSURANCE In the fife branches potal new appund beil I Annie Assumante in the life branches, total new ammal premiums reached £30.63 million last year (£29.46 million in 1984) and single premiums £5.36 million (£3.11 million). Ordinary branch (£3.12 million). new annual premiums were £6.73 million (£6.39 million). Single premiums and annuity considerarious were £405,000 (£390,000).

New sums assured amounted to £214.62 million (£209.31 million). £214.62 million (£209.31 million).

• LAPORTE INDUSTRIES:
The acquisition of Syracuse Adhesive of Cleveland, Ohio, manufacturers of adhesives and related compounds for the building and construction industry has been completed for \$3.2 million (£2.2 million) cash. The agreement provides for additional performance-related payments over two

ice-related payments over two AUSTIN REED GROUP: The company has completed the acqui-sition of J A Robertson and Son

(Domfries).

GLEN ABBEY: Babygro is to acquire Glen Abbey's children's wear division in Dublin and the knitting and dyeing facility in Tallaght for more than £1 million. OFFSHORE: James Finlay Corporation has received acceptances for 1.6 million ordinary shares. With the shares

MAN: The company, is to form a new regional company. Watney Combe and Truman, to manage all already held, Finlay now owns 2.49 million ordinary shares (83.2 per cent) of Scottish Offshore.

GALACTIC RESOURCES: The company has now raised Can \$26.93 million (£13 million) for the financing for its Summitville Heap Leach gold project. Colorado, and

profits.

ASPREY: For the half-year to

Sept 30, with figures in 5000, turnover was 23,164 (13,258), while the pretax profit was 5,554 (3,298). Earnings per share were 17,66p (9.29p). An interim dividend of 3.5p (2.3p) is being paid on Jan 27. • BLACKS LEISURE GROUP For the half-year to Ang. 31, 1985, compared with the half-year to Oct 31. 1984, with figures in £000, turnover was 5,104 (7,442), while

the pretax loss was 1,254 (loss, 2,534). Losses per share were 7.1p (loss 23.5). • ROBERT HORNE: For the year turnover was 122,965 (104,870), while the pretax profit was 8,647 (6,547). Earnings per share were 15.9 (12.2p). A final dividend of 2p (1.5p) is being paid, making a total of 3.25p (2.5p).

 A. G. BARR: For the year to Oct. 26, with figures in £000, turnover was 35,199 (34,724), while the pretax profit was 3,199 (3,167). Earnings per share were 35.56p (31.19p). A final dividead of 6.7p (5.75) is being paid, making a total of 8.45p (7.5p).
 WINTER BOTTOM ENERGY TRUST: For the year to Nov. 30. TRUST: For the year to Nov. 30, with figures in £000, prehax revenue was 991 (716). Earnings per share were 2.35p (1.56p). A final dividend of 2.14p (0.5p) is being paid, making a total of 2.34p (1.55p, including a bonus of 0.85p).

RECENT ISSUES

Abbott Mead Vickers 5p Ord (186)
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Cable & Wireless Sip Ord (387) 300p Pd
Capnery Securities 25p Ord (62a)
Chart Foulkes Lynch 5p Ord (12b)
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Crusts 5p Ord (74a)
Dialene 25p Ord (12ba)
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Gramyte Surface 10p Ord (100)
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Mentrale Moore 5p Ord (115)
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Noranic System 5p Ord (61b) av (100) zal Comp Region Issuer
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Yes, you've told us how badly Distillers is run, but what makes you think you could do better Mr. Gulliver?

GULLIVER

The changes that are necessary at Distillers are so far reaching, they can only be introduced from the outside. We've done this already with a similar company – Allied Suppliers, which we bought in June 1982.

They were, in some respects, the "Distillers" of the grocery trade, a very large company that had grown by amalgamations, but whose market share had been sliding downhill for years. People expressed doubt whether Allied's business could be improved.

Profits last year were 240% of profits three years ago. Our share price has more than doubled in the last 18 months.

QUESTION

But Distillers' stock market value is 2½ times Argyll's.

Aren't you biting off more than you can chew?

GULLIVER

No. Allied Suppliers was also 2½ times our size when we bought them. Yet we started to produce improved results almost straight away.

Nearly all Argyll Foods management are from Allied Suppliers. We provide the strategy and direction; they run the business. In the same way, we will identify the existing skills in Distillers, and give their management the leadership they require.

QUESTION

Your reputation has been made in the fast-moving retail trade: How does this qualify you to nurture famous whisky brands?

GULLIVER

Our prime skills are in marketing and in general management. These skills can both be applied to diverse businesses. Our record proves this. Our senior executives have backgrounds in companies like Unilever, Procter & Gamble, Mars, and Beecham: some of the most successful marketing companies in the world. We understand long-term business building and world brand marketing. It is this kind of marketing skill that we will bring to Distillers.

But more importantly, we will bring the strategy and direction required to build Distillers into an international drinks business with a much broader base.

QUESTION

You claim to be able to revitalise Distillers. But how successful is your own Argyll drinks business?

GULLIVER

How do you measure success? We've taken our drinks business from £100,000 profit in 1980 to over £10 million profit last year. Return on shareholders' funds has increased from 3% to 34%.

Last year, Distillers Company (Home Trade) showed £0.5 million profit on their sales of £121 million. We made £1.3 million profit on our home trade sales of just £30 million. If we could do that when our lead product is a regional rum, imagine what we could do with the famous names like Haig, Dewar's and Johnnie Walker.

QUESTION

You've run businesses in Britain. But what do you know about international markets?

GULLIVER

I have had direct experience in North America since 1971, when I became responsible for retail interests there, in addition to being Chairman and Chief Executive of Fine Fare here.

In 1982 we bought Barton Brands, a Chicago based drinks company, and built upon their traditional business of bourbon and Scotch whisky. For instance, we developed Corona Extra, making it the fastest growing imported beer in the United States.

Distillers make a lot of their performance in the United States. But it has all been achieved by local distributors, not by them. It wasn't till 1984 that they decided to buy one of these distributors, paying some \$250 million mainly for the right to distribute their own brands.

QUESTION

Argyll has achieved its growth by acquiring companies—How do you answer that?

GULLIVER

We have a reputation for making good acquisitions, but our profits come from making these prosper. For instance, in our food business, since 1982 we've increased profits from £18 million to £44 million – with only £2 million of this resulting from acquisitions.

QUESTION

It is said you not only buy companies — but you also sell them.

GULLIVER

In the past 4 years we've sold peripheral activities for a sum of £17 million. That represents only 2% of the current market value of the Argyll Group.

Looking at Distillers, we don't see why they need seven prestigious offices in London's West End. We may sell some of those. But we certainly won't be selling any of Distillers' valuable brands or businesses. We want to build up Distillers' business—not take it apart.

QUESTION

What makes you so confident you will make money for Distillers' shareholders?

GULLIVER

Because it will be in the interests of our management to achieve this. Argyll directors are committed to our company's success. We own a total of £27 million worth of shares in Argyll and 180 of our senior management participate in a stock option scheme, with an average of 30,000 shares each. We all have a very powerful motivation to succeed—as will Distillers' executives with our management.

QUESTION

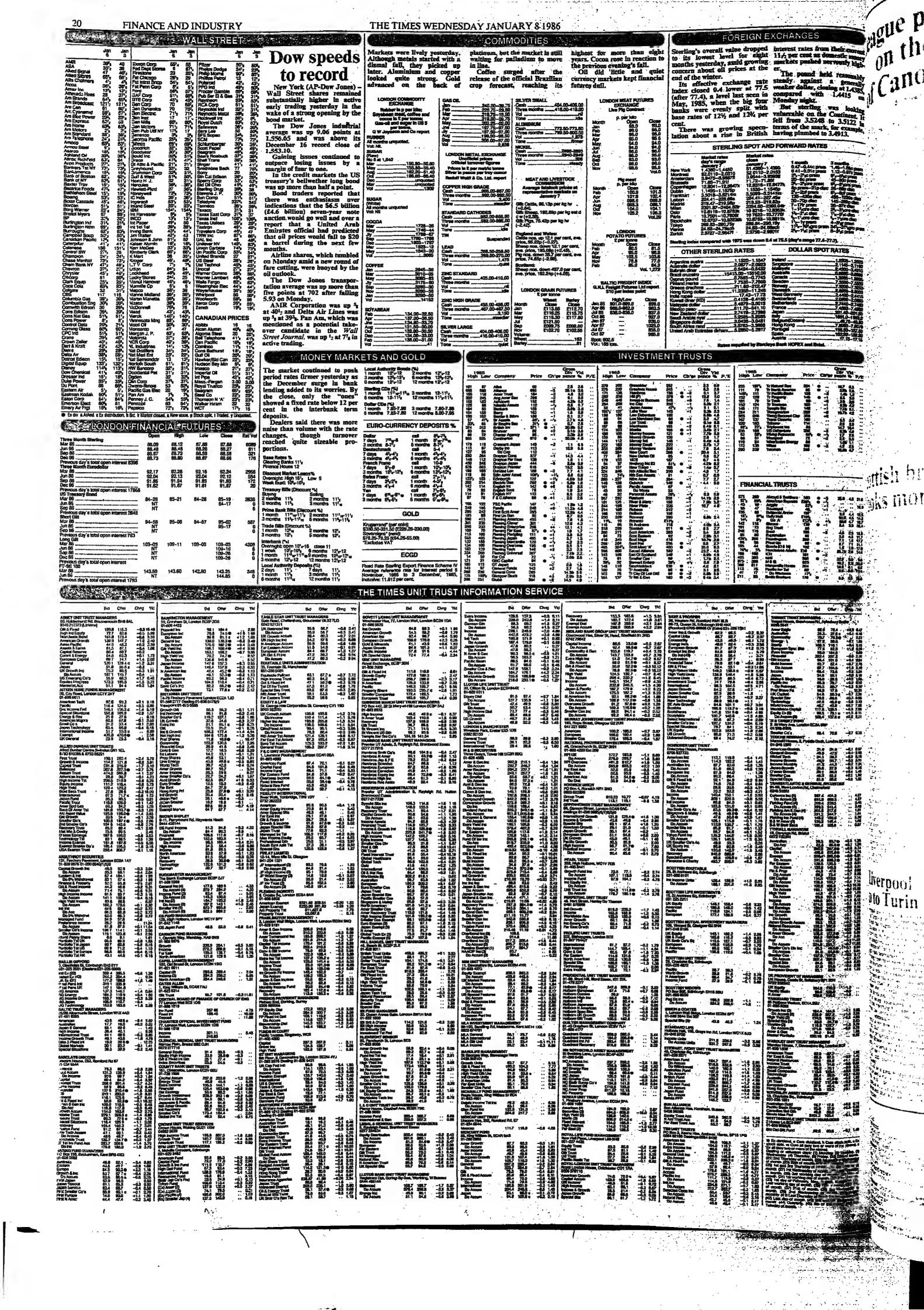
Shareholders are being bombarded with circulars. Is there to be any let up?

GULLIVER

The shareholders have my sympathy. But we hope soon to be able to reduce these mailings to two a year – telling Distillers' shareholders about their dividends and earnings.

Argyll. We can revive Distillers' spirits.

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sor, particularly as a three-year deal would include the centen-ary season in 1988-89. Although

there may be some restructuring next season, we would negotiate

Graham Kelly, the League's

secretary, was equally optimis-

League championship offers.
"Naturally, we are disappointed to lose our link with

Canon but we do not feel that this is a bad reflection on

football. Indeed, it could be said

achieving its marketing objectives so soon has brought the relationship to a premature

Big freeze

disrupts

Cup ties

Everyone's fit and the whole club will be training this morning just in case... obviously we would

rather play than not, but we would like a pitch in good condition,"

Tottenham have followed Chel-sea to buying an £11,000 plastic pitch cover. But the 15 sheets of high density polythlene will arrive

too late to save the match. The cover, a British invention marketed

by a Bristol-based company, Kerrypak, must be laid when the

pitch is in good condition. It may then be kept down for up to a week

If the game does go ahead, Oxford

expect to be unchanged. Over the weekend, Leworthy, their recent

£175,000 signing from Tottenham went down with flu, but he trained

yesterday and his manager, Maurice Evans, expects him to be fit.

Peier Rhoades-Brown, the un-

Robson's plans

in jeopardy

Bobby Robson's World Cup plans

play in a reserves match against

Swindon Town.
The new sub will be cither Mark
Jones, who broke a bone in a foot
against Spurs in the second match of

the season, or 18 year old midfielder Sean Reck, who recently returned to Manor Road after a three month spell at Newport County.

Shreeve said.

CRICKET

Zimbabwe decision

postponed with

B team set to leave

League put a brave face on the departure of Canon as sponsors

The severing of the link. He added that Canon will and annual prizes. They were according to Andy Williamson, communities and, from March, successor to Canon, the better,"

2 League spokesman, who said they plan to singe brief six-a- Williamson said "It may take a yesterday that "it had become a side games between school substantial amount of time to victim of its own success."

The League have eight negotiations with Littlewoods.

victim of its own success."

teams before League fixtures. sort out all the details. Our He said: "We were surprised The League have eight negotiations with Littlewoods, and disappointed when we were months in which to establish a who agreed to put £2 million." million the richer overall.

We wanted the deal to go on for ever, and it is sad it has said come to an end. But I think Their regional officials will there is sufficient evidence from become local heroes every our association with Canon to Saturday when their club is prove that the League is a playing at home because they phenomenal platform for sponwill be able to supply fickets sors. In terms of publicity, it has and to lay on some hospitality.

Canon's representative explained that their initial objective was to lift the public ship deal in this country that awareness of their company. Refore the campaign started, the figure was 17 per cent. Immediately after it began, it climbed to 51 per cent and within three resenting either tobacco or hard months. it had risen to 79 per liquor. They will almost certain sections as secretary, was causary to the prospect. "Our relationship with Canon has proved to be a very harmonious and mutually beneficial association," he said. "It has demonstrately after it began, it climbed to offers from companies repusation of the relationship with Canon has proved to be a very harmonious and mutually beneficial association," he said. "It has demonstrately after it began, it climbed to offers from companies repusation of the relationship with Canon has proved to be a very harmonious and mutually beneficial association," he said. "It has demonstrately after it began, it climbed to offers from companies repusation of the relationship with Canon has proved to be a very harmonious and mutually beneficial association," he said. "It has demonstrately after it began, it climbed to offers from companies repusation of the relationship with Canon has proved to be a very harmonious and mutually beneficial association, and mutually beneficial assoc

Brussels came into our thinking Cup in Mexico. but they were not, I must stress, major factors. We were already starting to make our decision towards the end of last season."

Cup in Mexico.

As well as rewarding the clubs that finished at the top of each of the four divisions, Canon donated several monthly

While the demands for a "Super League" in England seem to have relented since the Football League struck a new deal with the television

bodies, north of the border the leading clubs expect to have broken

away from their fellow Scottish League members by the end of the

An attempt to appease the rebel clob, who; consists of the entire premier division with the exception of Clydebank, seemed to have failed.

in Glasgow yesterday and the nine clubs expect to put forward their

constitution for a new league to the Scottish FA within the next

rebels yesterday, but hopes of a compromise seemed dashed. Mercer said: "lan tried to take the position a step forward but it could

be a case to too little too late." However, he added: 'it's the eleventh hour and it's important to maintain a dialogue." But he stressed that be could see no reason that the could see no re

why there should be any delay in submitting details of their new league proposals to the Scottish FA.

They are believed to have already been in touch with UEFA.

There's only four and a half months to the end of the season so

this will have to be done quickly and certainly within a week or so,

Mercer said.
The 28 first and second division

clubs are due to meet tomorrow. There has been a suggestion that

they might threaten legal action against the other nine as a last

resort, claiming that they could lose

lengthy sponsorship contracts be-esuse of the withdrawal of the big.

between the Football League continue to give financial awarded to the top goal scorers, and Canon (UK) Ltd., the assistance at the grass roots to the clubs which did the most company that became their first level." They have already sponsors three years ago, at the introduced a scheme to close end of this season, should not the gap between more than 60 exceptional loyalty.

be taken as a sign of failure, League clubs and their local. The sooner we find be taken as a sign of failure, League clubs and their local

officially notified because it has new agreement and Barry Gill; been such an excellent working representing CSS Promotions three years, took three months, relationship. Canon has become Ltd., the firm which were asked for instance, and there would be a household name, which was by the League to find a many more facets to this deal, their aim in 1982; they actively beneficiary three years ago, "We have already had two believes there will be no approaches, two nibbles that attractive side of football and shortage of offers." The come were tentative because of the the 92 League clubs are £3.3 pany's name is mentioned not situation. We are very confident million the richer overall. just in this country but all over about attracting another spon-Europe for 40 weeks a year," he sor, particularly as a three-year

Canon's contribution has been

months, it had risen to 79 per liquor. They will almost cer-cent. tainly insist that the new Martin Walter, Canon's pubsponsor supports similar
lic relations chief, said: "It is schemes to Canon, who are to
time to change our approach.
Obviously the terrible event at
Williams motor racing team as Bradford and particularly in well as in next summer's World

The breakaway move was sparked off at the beginning of the season by the refusal of the most.

season by the refusal of the most powerful clubs, such as Rangers, Celtic and Abendeen, to agree to one televised league game and one captic. Clearly, in common with their English counterparts, they feel that they can command greater financial benefits from television and sponsors by negotiating their own exclusive deal. There is also the possibility of linking up with their prosperous English cousins to a British "Super Cup", if not a league competition.

Alex Fergusoo's view of the

Scouish scene will also be changing. The Aberdeen and Scottish manager has banned himself from the dugout

The self-imposed penalty fol-lowed a verbal disagreement with

Alan Ferguson, a referee, at an Aberdeen-Dundee United match

last month, when Alex Ferguson was ordered away from the bench.

The disciplinary committee, how-ever, also imposed a penalty of their own yesterday – a £500 fine. This is the third time Ferguson has been

barred from a seat on the touchline. He was fined and banned for a year in 1980 and for eight months in the

Now the good news. The Scottish

FA announced yesterday that they have arranged a fixture with Israel

in Tel Aviv on January 28 for Ferguson's Scotland team as part of their build-up to the World Cup finals in Mexico this summer. They

hope to organize two other matches, before playing England at Weinbley Stadium on April 23. The English are also scheduled to play in Tel

"I am pleased we are facing Israel

as they are very good technically and we will be able to play in a warm climate." Ferguson said.

down win

Aviv on February 26.

previous year.

Scottish breakaway

looks more likely

Midlothian representative and the has banned himself from the dugout rebels' spokesman, said: "No one, at future domestic club fixtures until

wishes to see the league structure the end of next season and thereby break up, but we are only trying to saved the Scottish FA the embar-

Scotland and a oew set-up could be against their national manager. The sett-imposed penalty lan Gellalty, the League president, had put a fresh deal to the Alam Ferguson, a referee, a

Marathon woman: Miss Durie fought for more than two hours to secure victory.

Doubles tournament Durie wins is on the move

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

This week's doubles tournament, promoted by the World Champion-ship Tennis organization at the Albert Hall, is taking place in January for the last time. The next mas, which is anything hut an ideal date. There will also be rengwed contested from December 10 to 14. There have first that will assemble December for its first seven years, from 1970 to 1976, and players tournaments at the end of a year reneatedly asserted that it was Tottenham Hotspur's FA Cup third round replay against Oxford United looks likely to become another victim of the severe weather. After a snowstorm swert White Hart Lane yesterday, the FA asked a local referee to make an inspection of the pitch at 11.0 this morning. tournaments at the end of a year

There will be no Australian championships this year because the tournament is reverting from the November-December dates of recent years to its traditional place to January, beginning to 1987. This makes it possible to move Madison Square Gardens' showpiece play-off of the women's circuit from March, always, an illogical date, to always an illogical date, to November 17 to 25. The equivalent

repeatedly asserted that it was noreasonable to expect them to strike peak form so late in the year. On the other hand, November or December makes more sense for the Masters than the January date allocated to the tournament every year since 1978 (there was no Masters in 1977). The Masters is an appendix to the Grand Prix rather than a preface. Players may be jaded by the eart of the year but this is the November 17 to 25. The equivalent of the year, but this is the men's tournament, the Masters, also played at Madison Square Gardens, moves from January to December 1 to 7.

Ace of diamonds

will have a prize fund of \$900,000 - similar racket this year.

about £620,690 (Rex Beliamy and lifted in less than an hour to allow a match to go ahead. Spurs saw the advantage of the tildenet cover when they played at Stamford Bridge on Docember 28. writes). The tournament was inaugurated to 1982 with a prize fund of \$700,000 (£482,760), and the cash at stake has been raised by \$50,000 (£34,483) every year.

Last November Ivan Lendl won the tournament for the third time io also won a gold and diamond racket two weeks as distinct from valued at almost £500,000. This Antwerp's single week on one court.

The European Champions' Irophy was offered by a group of Championship, to be played in Antwerp diamond merchants who

The EEC attracted an official total of 141,504 spectators in November, the record attendance played anywhere - and the fourth biggest total in the world after the United States, Wimbledon and the five years, which meant that in French championships, all of which addition to first prize of £140,000 he are multi-court eveots lasting for

Czechs meet in Garden

New York (Renter) - The top seed, Jimmy Connors, of the seed, Ivan Lendl, will play Tomas United States, will open his Smid and the No 2 seed, John McEnroe, will face Brad Gilbert in the first round of the Masters Laconte of France. Stefan Edberg, of tournament next week.

Lendl, the US Open champion of West Germany, will make his and the Masters winner to 1982 and

Bobby Robson's World Cup plans seem certain to be wrecked by the wintry weather which has played havor with fixtures in this country. Robson said: "This is massively disraptive. It is chans. I was keeping my flagers crossed anyway, that there wouldn't be too many replays to roh me of players, but the weather has made everything much, much worse. The whole point of the exercise of playing in Egypt was for me to keep a stable, consistent situation with the team as we get closer to Mexico." and the Masters winner to 1982 and and the Masters winner to 1982 and 1983, has won nine matches and lost only one against his fellow Czechoslovak, winning the last seven meetings. McEnroe, the defending champion, has triumphed on all seven occasions against his fellow American, Gilbert, who is playing in his first Masters.

On the opening day of the tournament at Madison Square Garden, January 14, the No 3 seed, Mats Wilander, of Sweden, will face the American, Scott Davis, and the

BOXING

\$26m plan to

The Lendl and McEnroe matches, an all-Swedish contest between Anders Jarryd and Joakim Nys-trom, and a meeting of Yannick Noah, of France, and the American, Tim Mayotte, are scheduled for next

inst Paul Anna-

Masters debut against Pa cone of the United States.

Lendl and Coonors are seeded to meet in the semi-finals, with Wilander and McEnroe in the other half of the draw.

Mountjoy through as

Doug Mountjoy, whose last appearance in an important final was 12 mooths ago when be lost to Cliff Thorburn in the Masters tournament at Wembley put himself in the semi-finals of the Mercantile

Foulds had led 33-0 in this eventul eighth frame, but after a tantalizing period of changing fortunes, the scores were tied at 43all. They were level again at 54-54 after Foulds had fired home ao astonishing shot on the black ball, only to lose the frame and the match io the manner he did. He had every chance of levelling at four frames all. Curiously enough, both players

feasible positions. A little earlier there was even

break of 67 to cut the lead to 3-2, only for Mountjoy to draw 4-2 ahead with a clearance break of 103. This was his second century break of the tournament. The first was against Bill Werbeniuk in the fifth round. Then a break of 49 enabled Foulds to reduce the lead to 4-3, but that was the end of him, and be expressed his disappointment at

recent political furore, Mark Nicholas, the captain, said: "Quite the opposite. The blood is coursing The England B team leave ondon tonight for Sri Lanka still

not knowing whether they will be able to play in Zimbabwe in late February and March. A meeting of and we are all doubly excited." Meanwhile in Harare the the Zimbabwe Sport and Recreation Council, the government body responsible for approving visits by overseas teams, was due to have decided England's fate today.

approving England's tour did not look good. Tobaiva Mudede, the council's chairman, reiterated that it aparthied and their declarations had to be approved by the United Nations, the Organization for African Unity and the London-based South African Non-Racial

Political observers believe that Bangladesh's action has left Zim-babwe, one of South Africa's most vociferous critics, to a difficult position, despite the known support for cricket of the prime minister, Robert Mugabe. "The political will is now oo us to take a harder line than we have up to now," on government official said.

on their cootroversial tour. Four hours before their plane was due to depart for Bangladesh last Thursday, the Test and County Cricket Board cancelled their fixtures there.

A oew developmeot yesterday was a suggestion in New Delhi by Madhavrao Scindia, the vice-president of the Indian Cricket Board, that an India B team could be found Board canceled their institutes there in the same of t

TCCB door ajar on qualification

Asked if he felt the players would be in subdued mood following the

Several council members, however, were unable to attend and the

meeting has been put back until

Peler Lush, the England B team manager, said: "It would have been nice to have known where we stand,

but it does not greatly alter anything else at this stage. We are looking

forward to our cricket in Sri Lanka immensely." Tomorrow England arrive io Colombo, where an

additional three-day match, against Sri Lankan Colts, has been arranged

to start on Sunday.

It will be the second time in six days that the England B players have gathered at Heathrow to leave

Alvin Kallicharran (right), Warwickshire's former West Indies Test
hatsman, who also plays io South
Africa with "bonorary white"
status, had a request to be
reclassified as an English cricketer
turned down yesterday by the Test
and County Cricket Board (Richard
Streeton writes). Kallichartan has
beeo a British citizen for 11 years
hut last played official Test cricket
for West Indies five years ago this
week. The board's registrations'
committee ruled that he must
remain classified as an overseas
player. Washington (Renter) – The Americans, Zina Garrison and Bonnie Gedusek, the only two seeds

a hard

struggle

Miss Gadusek, seeded No 7, was confident after a 6-1, 6-3 win over the qualifier, (sabelle Demongeot, of

France. "I've really been putting my game together and I don't feel I have

FUST ROUND: S Goles (Yun) bt C Kuhimin (US) 7-5, 6-0; B Gallisek (US) 5-1 Demongeot (Fr) 6-1, 6-3; Durie (GB) bt Michel (US) 6-7, 6-2, 7-6; Z Garrison (US) bt R Reggi (t) 8-3, 6-

Edgbaston Cup

receives

sponsorship

The pre-Wimbledon women's tournament at Edgbaston has a sponsor for the first time. The Lawn

Tennis Association announced yesterday that the Dow Chemical

of almost £90,030.

The LTA, who last year encouraged Pikingtoo Glass to put £140,000 prize-money toto the Women's tournament at Eastbourne,

deterred possible sponsors. The LTA has now totroduced five new sponsors to the sport over the last

to the ioterval, Mouotioy had been scoring more consistently, having made breaks of 44, 31, 47 and 36 oo

There is much interest to

looigh's quarter-final between Rex Williams, the chairman of the World Professional Billiards and

Snooker Association, and Alex Higgins who has reached the last eight stage of an open tournament

They have met one another four times so far, the score standing at 3-

1 in favour of Higgins, who at their

last meeting in the second round of

the UK championship in 1984 beal Williams 9-7. There is little doubt that the crowd's sympathies touight

will be with Higgins, whose personal problems have seriously affected his

game. His supporters' hopes were,

however, revived by his 5-4 victory over the world champion, Dennis

Taylor, to the fifth round.

for the first time this season.

his way to e 3-1 lead.

any weaknesses now,

Bonnie Gadusek, the only two seeds to play on the opening day of a women's tournament here on Monday, advanced without the loss of a set. Jo Durie, of Britain, survived a marathoo cootest with the qualifier, Lori McNeil, of the United States.

Misc Garrison the No 5 seed a player.

Under existing TCCB rules
Kallicharrao would need to be out
of international cricket for 10 years
to become qualified as English.
Kallicharran's submission, which
was put by Warwickshire's team
manager, David Brown, stressed
that he had been a British citizen
since 1975. He also had oo further
prospect of Test cricket as he was
now banned for life hy West Indies
for having played in South Africa.

The board's statement said they
had "coosiderable sympathy" for Miss Garrison, the No 5 seed, a semi-finalist here last year, breezed past Italy's No 1, Rafaelia Regis, 6-3, 6-2 despite trouble with her first

had "coosiderable sympathy" for Kallicharran but would be unjustified in treating him as a special case. The registrations' committee, however, would be asking the board's full meeting to March whether they wished to give special consideration to bridging the lowers qualification. any weaknesses now.

Miss Durie was locked to a struggle with Miss McNeil for 137 miontes. The British No 1 narrowly lost the first set to a tie-breaker (7-5) but won the seconds est 6-2, then she had to redouble her efforts to recover from a 6-5 deficit in the third set and force a second tie-breaker, which she won 7-2. to reducing the 10-year qualification The Board, conscious of the

possibility of being sued under the scores South African Universities at 219 for restrator of trade laws, have left the time declared and 41 for one Australia 220 (M O Taylor 43, M O Haytman 43, U A Mattheway 4-47.



must leel he has not yet lost his case. He was seeking English status as insurance against Warwickshire bolstering their weak attack with a leeding overseas fast bowler next season. With Anton Ferreure, the South African all-rounder, also on overseas trio would have to stand

overseas the would have to stand down regularly.

Kallicharren, an attractive left-hander, has been the mainstay of Warwickshire's batton, with Dennis Amiss, since 1971. His career began with Guyana and he has also played for Queensland,

University challenge Port Elizabeth (Renterl - The South African Universities XI had scored 41 for one in their second innings at close of play on the second day of their three-day match against the rebel Australian cricketers yester-

Indians unaffected by hero worship

Country which plays to win with a smile

The Australian cricket selectors may think they have troubles, but those of their lastest rivals, the Indians, are on a different plane, not

to mention plains - higher, wider and further apart across the great sub-continent than is conducive for cricketing communications.

Australians at least speak the Anorganase, abrasively at times but still comprehensive to the average batsman in the street. In India 730 million people speak two

Company will finance the Edgbaston Cop, to be staged at the Priory Cloh from June 9 to 15, with a prize fund official languages, Indian and English, plus 15 others and over 720 have spent four years looking for a sponsor for Edghaston.

The tournament, financially supported in the past by the LTA and profits from Vimbledon, has English, plus 15 others and over 720 attendant dialects. The religious community is similarly fractured between Hindus, Mustims Christians and Sikhs, all of whom represented to the Indian Test side.

"Quite simply", said James Venkataramiah, a long-time observer and fan of the Indian team, if soo en into the backer runn you can always attracted a top-class field. Billy Jean King won the title in 1982 and 1983 and Pam Shriver has been the champion for the last two years.
However, lack of television
coverage, mainly because the
tournament clashes with a men's
event in London, has always

yoo go into the locker room you can see that although they all play for their country, they are not really connected with each other. They do connected with each other. They do not speak a common language."

It is interesting therefore that this disparate squad should have accraed the uncommon skills to take the Australians closer to their fifth successive Test defeat than the locals care to consider. Only the rain prevented a manling in Melbourne, and at the Sydney cricket ground last weekend India's monumental first innings total of 600 for four declared was gradually chipped and whittled towards a draw but only at the expense of a follow-on.

The feeble, or foibled, nature of Australia's current Test crop is

Australia's current Test crop is endlessly dissected. By contrast, the Indians have tended to remain a collective bane in Australia, but

collective bane in Australia, but individually anonymous.

"The trouble is," said Rain Kulkarul, the young medium pace bowler, "That Kirmani is the only one of our players you can recognize easily." Syed Kirmani, the little, bald and sometimes be-wigged veteran wicketkeeper for the Indians does indeed stand out among his tall, dashing and dark-moustached colleagues, which has not necessarily done his film career any harm.

The Hindi film industry in India

The Hindi film industry in India for the first time this season.

Williams, aged 52, is a former of adding cricketers to their casts, world billiards champion, and has twice reached the semi-finals of the local heroes to national demi-gods. world snooker championship – in 1972 and 1974. In the 1972 semi-finals, Higgins beat him 31-30, and went oo to win the title for the first time.

The highest scoring Test batsman or all-time Sanii Gavaskar (166 not out to Adelaide, 177 to Sydney and one big determination to enter politics when he retires) has opened not only for the Test team but also at cinemas round the country where he has been a familiar star of the silver screen. Kirmani is habitually a bad guy.

India's answer to Peter Lorre, and a total distortion of his friendly reallife self. He is even kind in his mother-in-law. Throughout the series he has worn a tattered piece of pink string round his wrist. "My mother and my mother-in-lew gave it to me for my safe return," he explained. "I'm not superstititious but it makes them feel better." Eredite in six languages and a

Quarter-finat: O Mountjoy bt N Foulds 5-3. Frame accrea (Mountjoy Brst: 83-32, 56-47, 55-80, 84-10, 40-101, 108-22, 42-81, 81-54. nanager at the state bank of India, he philosphically regrets the pressures of Indian, hero-worship. "There is too much idolism in our Sportsoy's fifth round: J White or M Gaunteau (Carl) 5-2. Frame scores (Walte first): 117-0, 59-11, 15-74, 69-31, 23-64, 80-47, 62-40.

country. We can't go into public places because we are pointed out for autographs and questions. Or

sometimes people just want to touch us. It is incredible. We are treated There the similarity to John

McEarce ends. The lodians on-field department and off-field gentlemanly conduct has attracted heartfelt commendation from fans.

"There is such a thing as diplomacy," said Kirmani. "We sll learn to be ambassadors no matter what we are like as individuals. And without being egotistical, I would say we are very well behaved from what I bave observed of the rest of the teams. the teams. We are always generous in our approach towards fans. We

According to Venkataramiah such immaculato behaviour stems from the appringing of the primarily apper-class Indian cricketers. "They are used to strict discipline, rales and regulations," be said. "We hate to admit it but that is the effect of the old British culture on our

Good manners, however, were not remotely in evidence when Krishna-machari, Srikkanth destroyed his

name was Srikkant without the final H until his numerologist suggested nine was his lucky oumber). "I look at the sun every ball because I believe Adithyaa is very powerful and very good for us. It is where we get our energy and strength."

This was new to the Australian public, who look to the sun for nothing more complicated than taus. They tended to be rather sceptical of Srikkanth's claims until another Australian collause on the fifth day Australian collapse on the fifth day of the Test this week. Border was

And yet, there are some of the

like Kelak.

hosts' bowling party with a savage and extravagantly-stroked century, one of the fastest in contemporary Test cricket from just 97 balls. But the 26-year-old opening batsman with a first-class electrical engineering degree from Madras University was polite enough to say thank you. Not, though, to the Australian bowlers but to the Brahmin sun god, Adithyaa, to whom he addressed his Additional to the same seems as silent dedication before he addressed each bell. "I am very superstitions," he said. (In fact, his name was Srikkant without the final

of the Test this week. Borcer was out twice io one day – enough to make superstition suddenly seem less ridiculeus. But, in return, India is westernizing fast in the opinion of Kirmani. "In ottitudes, behaviour and television we are becoming a much more cosmopolitum nation," he said, a case in point with a nicktume like Keisk.

And yet, there are some of the Western ways that the Indians will never adopt. "I just don't know how you can eat your curries so hot," said Rajinder Singh Ghal, the Sikh medium fast bowler from Punjab. "It's the same in Australia and England. I've never been able to ear one of those viadaloos in my life."

Liverpool Clark plays go to Turin

Liverpool are to play a tourna-ment in Turin - a city still coming to terms with the tragedy of Brussels. But this time it will be their youth But this time it will be their youth team carrying the flag into Europe.

The youngsters have been invited by the people of Turin to take part in an eight club tournament at easter. The young team have been promised a warm welcome by Javentus in an attempt to heal the woeads opened by the events at the Heysel Stadium.

Antield's chief executive, Peter attempt to heal the wounds opened by the events at the Heysel Stadium. Anfield's chief executive, Peter Robinson was yesterday delighted by the invitation. He said: "The event is being sponsored by the Turin club. Sporting Barcanova. We received the invitation from them and I immediately telephoned Juventus to see how they felt. They told me that the people of Turin would be delighted to welcome as. Despite Brussels we have a most Despite Brussels we have a most friendly relationship with the club and they have offered to receive our officials and players during the

restocut. "It will be a good bridge building "It will be a good straig our exercise and a way of comenting our links with the Italians. Our friendship with Jévenius has never friendship with Jévenius has never to faltered and this will only serve to Mahad 1. Doncaster Rovers 1; Swamses Chy 2, Waltad 1.

Third round replay
Tottenham Hotspur v Oxford United

Postponed: Bradford City v Ipswich Town; Aston Villa v Portsmouth; Derby

County v Gillingham. Third division Brantland v Notts County (7.45)

Fourth division Hartlepool United v Chester City MR.TPART LEAGUE: Rhyl v Morecenbe

FA CUP

Third round .

Frank Clark, the Orient manager, will tell his FA cup giant-killers to forget their 2-1 victory at Oddian Athletic on Monday and concentrate on promotion. "Going up must be our main priority and I feel we probably have the strength in depth in our squad to make it," Clark said after his team's third round win.

"Beating Oldham was no fluke. We had to work very hard and we had a bit of luck," Clark added. Luten Town, semi-finalists last season, earned a home fourth round ric with Bristol Rovers by winning 2-1 at Crystal Palace.

Hall's Cup win

A sixth minute goal by Roberta saw Hull City, of the second division; through to the FA Cup fourth round last night with a 1-0 win at Plymouth Argyle, of the third division. Hull will be at home to Brighton and Hove Albion to the next round. Brian horton, the Hull player-manager, was formedy a Brighton player.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

GOLA LEAGUE: Chelenhem v Northelch Victorie
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: RS Southempton v Gravesend and Northelest; Willing v Farehem; Elli Dellow Cup: Second result vi Rugby v Aylesbury Cord v Swindon VALOGALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Yeovil v Windson and Etm.
FA YOUTH CUP: Third result: Milwell v Newport Third round,
Middlesbrough v Southampton
Sheffield United v Pulham
Sheffield Wed v West Brosnwich
Pestponed: Birmingham City v Altrincham, Bury v Barrosley; Carilais United v
Queen's Park Rangers; Stoke City v
Notis County.

Newport.
REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Ameleur Football
Allanca v RAF (et Old Labytheriane FC, 2.15).
RLIGBY UNION
CLUB MATCHER: Grangorgen Wanderers v
Tradeger (7.16); Llantill v Aberillony (7.0);
Metropolitan Polica v Anny (2.15); Ponypridi v
Lydney (7.9).
TOUR MATCH: Middlesex v Queensland (et Surdure 7.16). SUGBUY, 7.15). RUGBY LEAGUE

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: Carlaberg Matienel League,
Fiest division (8.00): McEwin Tyneside v
Menchester Glents; Nesen Bears, Worthing v
Porsemouth FC: Sperrings Solent Stars v
Heppy Estar; Bracknell Piretes; Walters
Crispe, Lelosster v London Docklande, Crystel
Prateon, Marr's Netional Toppy, First Round
(8.00): English Estates, Clayeland v Calderdale
Explorers; Elleemer Port v Othern Carlo;
Pathrorough Jets v Tesm Walterfield,
Nutringham.
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Monday's results

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FA CUP: Third reame: Crystal Pelson 1, Luten
Fown? Olichem Abhebt 1, Crient 2.
GOLA LEAGUE Departmen 0 Westletons 2.
FA TROPHY: Pirst round: Bangor Chy 1,
Witerhald 0.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: BW Dedow Cup, second
round replay: Salisbury 1, Trowbridge 4.
FA YOUTH CUP: Third round: Fullern 1,
Bournerouth 0.

unify title New York (NYT) Home Box Office, the pay-cable television service, have proposed a \$26 million deal that could lead to a

Middlesbrough are using indusrial heaters an attempt to get their pitch fit for their third round tie against Southampton. The referee, George Tyson, will make an inspection early this morning. Middlesbrough have no injury problems. unified heavyweight championship.

If completed, the arrangement could scuttle a match between Michael Spinks, the International Boxing Federation heavyweight champion, and Gerry Cooney that would have been held in mid-April, and instead link Spinks's promoter REARRANGED DATES: Tomorrow: Manchester United v Rochdale, Manday: Reading v Huddersfield Town; Bury v Barnsley; Stoice City v Notic County; Cartisle United v Queen's Park Rengers; Derby County v Gillingham; Asson Vifia v. Portsmouth; Bradford City v Ippench Town, Tuesday: Birmingham City v Affrication. Butch Lewis, and Don King as partners in a multi-contest package

Neither the Cooney-Spinks match nor the unification proposal has been signed, but HBO appear close Lewis and King that would give them the rights to the live showing of a series of seven, or possibly heavyweight champ

The series would end with a match between the World Boxing Association and World Boxing Council champions in January

SNOW REPORT

STILL VY NETON I

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1000 feet.

By Sydney Friskin

Foulds made early mistakes which cost him the first two frames.

foul fells Foulds

frame which Mountjoy lost after he had led 55-0. Only eight reds were left when Foulds began a counter-offensive with a break of 80. But up

or the serin-inais of the Mercantie Credit Classic at Warringtoo yesterday with a 5-3 victory over Neal Foulds. The match ended dramatically with an in-off by Foulds on the re-spotted black.

failed with the re-spotted black from

more excitement, when Foulds came back into the match with a having missed the crucial black ball io the cighth frame.

There followed an astonishing third

France choose Dubroca as their captain and hooker at Murrayfield

previous 10 caps at prop forward though, like so many French players, he has the reputation of a versatile player who has appeared in the second row and No 8, despite his lack

Duhroca played his last international against Argentina last summer, when the French levelled the two-match series hut he is one of the few players who have been retained since then. The French selectors have has been kept out of his normal made 10 changes, one of them position at full back by the positional, since that game in consistency of Serge Blanco. Buenos Aires, and also seven Now, however, Lafond is from the side that beat Wales in picked on the right wing to the the final championship match exclusion of Patrice Lagisquer of the 1984-85 season.

one member of the team is a for the Barbarians in 1983, new cap, Phillipe Marocco, of when Scotland celebrated the Montferrand, coming in to prop opening of their new East Stand. players will be making their day, when the Barbarians won bow in the championship: Jean-Baptiste Lafond on the right wing. Pierre Chadebech (Brive) in the centre and Eric Champ (Toulon) in the back row.

There are recalls too for a pair of veterans, Guy Laporte, of Graulhet, now 33, who plays stand-off half, and Francis Haget, the 36-year-old Biarritz lock who has retired at least twice from international rugby, only for his number to come up with a frequency he would not have expected during his career as a croupier in a casioo.

Three of the changes were dictated by injuries to Dintrans. Didier Codorniou (centre) and Jean-Patrick Lescarboura

uncompromising tackling suited the requirements of the British game.

He expected three Springboks to be signed within the month and many

more to follow next season. There would certainly be many more

applicants than British Rueby

eague clubs could accommodate,

binemess has been fought over the defections of Louw and the Springbok winger, Ray Mordt. An effort is obviously being made to

Appeals to patriotism, accu-sations of treachery, warnings of the rigours and physical dangers of Rugby League, have been combined with further financial inducements

to leading players in an effort to

keep them home. To some extent

worked. The biggest prize of all would have been Danie Gerber, the Springbok centre, who has scored 12

tries in 13 internationals. He is

government's Department of Sport,

he has declined offers from St

Helens and others.

Aside from the pressures and the

Aside from the pressures and the financial inducements, Louw feels there is another constraint on players like Gerber. "Many of the staunch Afrikaner Springhoks feat living in a country where the culture, people and weather are so different will be too big a change for

them", be says.

Louw accepts fully that in South

carrot and stick approach bas

deter others from following suit.

Meanwhile, a battle of increasing

bero was expected to challenge 26-13, and the Scots will have a

who played against Oxford lineout and a dynamic presence University for Major R. V. in the loose, and his enthusiasm Stanley's XV in November, is is linked to the dependable and also injured so Chadebech, who played against Argentina and Luc Joinel.
Romania three years ago and appeared in the B international the metile. against Wales in October, comes in to partner the talented Phillipe Sella.

Lafond, of Racing Club de

Paris, made a 10-minute appearance as a replacement against Australia in 1983 but and, moreover, on the ground Despite all the change, only where he made such an impact



South African exodus could

follow Louw and Mordt

From Paul Martin, Cape Town

Amidst a barrage of criticism and Africa "politics and rugby are the game is being run berc. In a forcusation directed against South Africa's Rugby Union administration, the two leading South African Internationals who began Rugby League careers with Wigan last weekend, have warned of an analysis of the street of the second rugby.

Africa "politics and rugby are the game is being run berc. In a first page "exclusive" interview with the Afrikaans weekly newspertation. Indeed, he is not paper. Rapport, headlined "Kick in opposed to those who have put teeth for rugby bosses", Louw and Mordt claim South African rugby administrators have lost touch with

His attitude is in marked contrast

to that of Zola Budd, who has steadfastly argued that acceding to

any such demand for an anti-apart-heid declaration would simply open

the way for escalating political demands of her.

But Louw, speaking before he flew to Wigan last week – on condition that these remarks be published only after his first match – commended Peter Hain for the demonstrations, and campaign

demonstrations and campaign against the last Springbok tour in the late Sixties, and subsequent protest actions. However, he felt South African rugby had by now done a great deal to promote multi-

done a great deal to promote multi-

racial sport and, in so doing, had advanced the political process as

coaching elinics in which white and black schoolchildren learned the skills of the game together, often despite initial opposition from conservative white parents and radical black teachers. But he accepted that South African rugby could expect no further inter-

could expect no further inter-national competition unless apart-

heid in society was eliminated.
South Africa's plans to play two
matches against World XV teams
this year were not substitute for
nation-versus-nation competitions.

Without real international com-

peudon, the flow of Springboks to rugby league was inevitable, he said. Louw and Mordi have spoken of

deep disenchantment among most playing rugby union professionally leading rugby players with the way during the rugby league off-season".

Africa's Rugby Union administration, the two leading South African Internationals who began opposed to those who have put political pressure on South Africa political pressure on South Africa

African Internationals who began Rugby League careers with Wigan last weekend, have warned of an exodus from the amateur ranks by their disenchanted fellow-players. Rob Louw, the Springbok loose forward who captained the World XV against Wales a year ago, said that at least 13 Springboks had already contacted him for advice on how to opproach Rugby League teams in Britain. Altogether, between 20 and 30 leading players in South Africa and phoned him during the few weeks he had been in South Africa after signing his own contract with Wigan.

Louw said many of those be had spoken to would make fine Rughy League Players, as the South African style of hard straight running and uncompromising tackling suited the

championship this season against Scotland at Murrayfield on January 18, in succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans. He also succeeds Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as hooker, after winning his previous 10 caps at proper succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as his form for Beziers has fallen and Laporte, capped with Jerome who confirmed an already bright reputation with his play in Argentina during the succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as his form for Beziers has fallen and Laporte, capped with Jerome who confirmed an already bright reputation with his play in Argentina during the succession to the injured Phillipe Dintrans as his fallen and Laporte, capped with Jerome who confirmed an already bright reputation with his play in Argentina during the succession to the proper succession to the proper succession to the proper succession to experienced qualities of Jean-

> There can be little doubt of the mettle of the French backs who will play against Scotland hut it remains to be seen how the forwards come well is hardly a step forward and on his last appearance against Scotland, in their grand slam season of 1984, he attracted more penalties than lineout

Dubroca is a mature, intelli-

gent player but he has a great hurden to carry: he has to bold his own in a specialist position new to him against, presumably, the experienced Colin Deans (Scotland's team is due to be announced today). He has to gather up the reins of leadership, away from home, of a side showing a great number of changes; and be has to take over the role of scrum hal-f/sweeper to which French hookers are doomed under the policy adopted by Jacques Fouroux, the coach, where the scrum half throws in at the

FRANCE (v Scotland, Murrayfield, January 18): S Blanco (Blarritz); J-P Lafond (Racing Club), P Sella (Agen), P Chadebech (Brive), P Estève (Narbonne); G Laporte (Graulhet), J Gallion (Toulon); P Marocco (Montierrand), D bonne): G Laporte (Graulhet), J Gallion (Toulon): P Marocco (Montierrand), D Dubroca (Agen, captain), J-P Garust (Lourdas), J Gratton (Agen). F Haget (Biarritz), J Condom (Le Boucau), E Champ (Toulon), J-L Joinel (Brice). Replacements: B Herrero (Toulon), P Ondarts (Biarritz), J-C Orao (Nice), P Berbizier (Agen), E Bonneval (Tnulouse), M Sallefranque (Dax).

the players, arrogantly act in their own interests and often for lucrative

remunerations.

The game, they say, bas become a massive business venture where subservience to sponsors and rivalry among provices are causing the game to decline and die out.

"There us a time bomh ticking under rugby," said both players, "and unless there is a radical change in administration and a bieser say

in administration and a bigger say for the players, that bomb will

South Africa's rugby union players are meanwhile demanding and receiving large under-the-table

nayments. Mordt said he recieved

the equivalent of £7,000 last year while Louw was paid "considerably more". Some get as much as £13,000 annually, they said.

The players have to resort to subterfuge to obtain their illicit rewards, which is bad for morale

and an impossible strain on them

and the game, the two men claimed.

union to become a professional

better the rugby we play will be, the

happier the speciators will be. Then

the fudicrous animosity between union and league could also die

amateur rugby are numbered. He is convinced that after the 1987 world

cup, with its reliance on big

views are gaining ground even in South Africa, to judge from the high

four Africa. To judge from the high level of support they had received from the man-in-the-street. "In fact", said Louw, don't be suprised if you see me back in South Africa within the next couple of years,

Louw believed that the days of

nsorship and massive worldwide

The rebels' solution is for rugby

We are treated like amateurs but

Laporte: back in favour after five-year absence

Hope for Lions tour says SA referee

The British Lions tour of South Africa may yet go ahead this year, according to one of the leading figures in the game bere. Steve Strydom, formerly on the South African Rugby Board and now an international referee, said after international referee, said after meeting with Dr Danie Craven, the board's president, that the issue of another invitation was dependent on what happened politically in

"There is still a chance the tour will take place, and I would speculate that a vote by the four home unions would go in our favour." Strydom, who handled last season's Scotland-Ireland and France-Wales matches said, "If the Llons do not come we would be keen to have the Australians.

"People ask me why we do not follow the South African Cricket Union's line and huy a side, but it would put us in jeopardy with the International Rugby Board, of which we are full members.

"While the Sevens (in Durban) are going on we must stick to our amateur principles. The tiers of the

amateur principles. The state of the rand is such that we would need one or Iwo big gates to ensure a tour bere would pay. As it is, the six top sides in South Africa will fill the test speculation here as to whether rugby and football will follow cricker's lead and attempt to overcome international isolation with breakaway tours. The "rebel" cricket tours are viewed in South Africa as an overwhelming success.

Besides, what is there to keep the

best rugby players in the game if the All Blacks and the Lions do not tour? "The game here will never turn professiona unless another organization entices the players away," Strydom said. "And that organization will not be Rugby

The game here is confident about its future. Western Province RU are its future. Western Province RU are building a new stand at Newlands in place of the old South Stand. The cost if 10 million rand (about £3 million). The international ground in Durban is 10 have a grandstand opened shortly. That and the one at Johannesburg, which celebrates its centenary this year, are to stage matches against invitation sides.

Many South Africans believe that more players will follow Ray Mordt

League on Saturday after being taken off the transfer list. Many South Atricans believe that more players will follow Ray Mordt and Rob Louw into British rugby league. Strydom disagrees: "We may lose five or six hut that will not affect rugby union much. There are still plenty of stars." Martin Clark and Sadie Edwards have been named as English players of the year for 1985. Clark, the 6ft. sin star of Team Polycell Kingston, is rewarded for helping his club win the National Cup and National League title. He was also outstand-

Queensland bolstered by six internationais

By David Hands

Andy McIntyre, a member of the immensely powerful Australian his hallmark in Brisbane.

Queensland, whose tour had been ast season's grand slam success was based, will captain Queensland in the second match of their European tour, against Middlesex at the Wasps ground this evening. He is one of six toternationals against expected to work at the game like professionals. Mordi said. "The sooner the game goes professional, the healthier it will become, the

three fielded by Middlesex, last season's county champions.

Alongside him McIntyre will have Tom Lawion, the grand slam hooker, whose younger brother, Rob, completes the state side's front row. Campbell, the 6ft 8in lock capped against Fiji in 1984, will prove a substantial obstacle in the incour and Queensland's inter-national complement is made up by three experienced backs, Monn, Grigg and Lynagh.

The tour management want to

give every member of the squad a run-out in the first two games of the tour, hence the absence of the tour captain and full back Gould, who has stepped down, and the presence. Ravenhill next Tuesday. of Martin.

sponsorship and massive worldwide television coverage, the pressures to go professional will mount. "Even the stick-in-the-mud English and Scottish rugby unions will have to see the light". Louw added. Louw and Mordt believe their The management was pleased at the speed with which the team settled to beat Kent on Sunday and are looking forward to watching Slattery, their 20-year-old scrum half, perform today. He has been burdened with the tag of "the next Ken Carchpole" and, if condidons remain wer and cold, may find difficulty displaying the speed of

the lager company, have also encountered high-flying entertain-ment off the field. The Nat West Bank, who have strong connections with Middlesex and whose rugby with Middlesex and whose rigby club celebrates its centenary this season, entertained them in their 600-feet high tower block on Monday, while expressing the hope that the county team would bring the touring team down to earth.

Middlesex combine the disparate talents of Wasos and Harlequins loggerheads over the playing of their scheduled fixture last Saturday, and have also chosen Anderson, from London Irish, on the wing Anderson, who played in Ireland's trial at the weekend, will be able to tell his bome province, Ulster, what to expect from the Australians, whom he will encounter again at



David Hands reviews recent rugby publications

Centenary history of a great Welsh club

November I watched twn rugby matches: in the first the referee awarded 37 penaloes, in the second he awarded six. The first was a might say, the pressures of competition told on the players and on the official who must have felt bliged to keep a tight rein on the

It is not so simple. In the first the game, the number of mistakes made - and the referee applied the new tackle law which came as new tackle law which came as something of a surprise to some of the players. In a tight game there are always likely to be more penalties because there will be far greater opportunities for offside play; in a loose, flowing game there is less concealment and greater opportunity for the advantage law to be played.

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Apart from that, I suspect many players do not know the laws nor have they been taught basic skills prperly. This may account for the growing number of coaching books on the market and is ample justification for the publication of Rzgby Laws Illustrated, written by Chive Norling and Terry Godwia.

Anything which makes a complex set of laws easier to understand is welcome and the authors have adopted a single-syllable approach to clarify matters.

This may not help when the English language itself comes in for

This may not help when the English language itself comes in for dissection. When considering law 18, the tackle, the anthors note that "a player can play the ball in any way, including pushing it away or passing the ball to another players as long as the action is immediate and the ball does not go forward." I heard of a discussion in which it was suggested thet "immediate" could mean different things in different grades of rugby ie, three seconds grace for junior players, two seconds grace for junior players, two seconds for seniors in junior club matches, one second in first-class games. Pity

Mike Davis, the former England coach, and Barrie Corless, the RFU technical administrator for the Midlands, have both contributed to training books which should provide little expertise among their develop-ing players. The Science of Rugby Football by Davis and Dunald Ireland begins with philosophy and ends with selection, the first an area too frequently taken for granted, the second too little analysed.

by Phil Blakeway with Chris in his travels over the last 30 years Ducker, or Andy Irrine by the Scottish full back in association with and to protect the game which nat the onerous number of antobiographies I will only add that to be in England.

Plakeway's hoak waysents the more to his countrymen than it frequently seems of the protect than th Blakeway's book presents the more rounded portrait whereas I would have been happier to know more about Irvine away from the oval ball. My colleague Garald Davies and John Morgan, the Welsh writer and broadcaster, agreed to put on paper the diary of a season and call it Side Steps. It was a good idea which was not developed far caough – just when they begin to warm to a topic the next day intervenes. There was their effective use of the 2-3-2 scrum some unsuspected information about was ground down by the Springboks rats to remind us there is life apart; in 1928. It also indicates how much

Corless's book, Ragby Union, concerned with basics and contains two beautiful pictures of players of being lifted at the line-out – that in itself is something of an art form and I only wish it were legal so that the poor scrum half has less rubbish to contend with from that phase of play.

I admit it is unlikely any youngster would be entirely happy to see such books propped against the Christmas tree. He may prefer autobiography, in which case he can choose between Rubbing Shoulders by Phil Blakeway with Chris in his travels over the last 30 years be has never lost the desire to learn

to do in England.

Rugby means a great deal to New
Zealanders and South Africans. The
combination of the two appears in
Up Front, the story of the All Blacks
scrum as told by Graeme Barrow, a
South African now living in New
Zealand. It is a fascinating
distillation of history and humony. distillation of history and humour.

The core of the tale is provided by
the All Black's use of the rover in
the early part of the century and how

If I had two books from all the

If I had two books from all those published this antumn, I would go for Mr Barrow's and for Drugon In. Exile, the centenary history of the Loudon Welsh club lovingly chronicled by Stephen Jones and Paul Beken. You need no Welsh connections to enjoy the development of one of the great other near the property of the great of the property of the stephen well as the steph ment of one of the great clubs, nor to appreciate the make-up of one of the great club sides, the exiles of the late 1960s and early 1970s.

RECERT PUBLICATIONS: Rugby Us Lane Bushwated, by Citva Norling with 'to Godwin (Polhaus Books, E.S.S): The Seise of Rugby Poothall, by Mike Davis and Don Ireland (Palkam, C.2.MS; Rugby Listen, Barris Corison (The Growcod Press, 27.55) contage); Rughy (Inion, 1986); The Rugh

NGURE SHATING: The world. Olympic and European champions, Yelena Valova and Oleg Vasilyev, won the pairs title at the Soviet national championships in Leningrad, edging the young stars. Yekaterina Gordeyeva and Grinkov, toto second place.

Blanket blank Bristol Rugby club are to send the £10,000 thermal blanket bought to protect their pitch back to the manufacturers. They claim it let them down after using it for the first time when Llanelli were the visitors over Christmas. Frost got underneath and the game was called off an hour before the kick off. The Bristoi secretary, Tom Mahoney believes the cancellation cost his club £9,000 in gate and bar recepts. in gate and ber recepts.

The manufacturers claim Bristol and the blanket incorrectly and

The yachtsman who high burnt his boats to join the Cartesian who highly highly the Cartesian who had been to join the Cartesian who had been the cartesian who had been to join the cartesian w to join the Crusade political

Chris Law, who hopes to be competing in his fifth Olympic Games in Seoul, is making a The weather has inflicted a particular cruel blow on Hull Kingston Rovers and their New Zealand international centre. Gary Prohm. The postponement of last night's league game between Castleford and Hull KR means that proportionally larger commitment to Britain's America's Cup challenge in Australia than did Peter de Savary in promoting Castleford and Hull KR means that Prohm still has a one-match suspension to serve, and he will miss the John Phayer Special Trophy final with Wigan at Elland Road, Leeds, on Saturday.
However, fate could even the score at this week's meeting of the disciplinary committee. Due to appear before them is the Wigan hooker, Nicky Kiss, following a recent sending off, and if he is suspended he will also miss the final. and backing the 1983 campaign. Law is selling his house, his boat and his Porsche and is relinquishing a salesman's salary substantially beer than that for which Lord Gowrie refused to continue as Arts Minister in order to join Harry Codmore's squad in Perth this month.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Weather

keeps

Prohm out

in cold

By Keith Macklin

allowed to rest. The League will today issue a statement about the affair. Although officials are tight-

lipped about the contents of the statement, it is bound to be a

strongly-worded one in view of recent comments on the validity of

the matter to the courts.

IN BRIEF

Macauley

off the

transfer list

BASKETBALL: Jim Macauley has

made his peace with the struggling First Division side, Homespare, Bolton, and makes a return to the team against Happy Eater Bracknell Pirates in the Carlsberg National

six strong team to attend every event in the United Kingdom

SPEEDWAY: Birmingham pro-

moters, Tom Evitts and Les Powell, are prepared to continue National

are prepared to continue National League racing at the Wheels Project complex following assurances that improvement will be made before the start of the season in March. Evitts and Powell indicated last

month that they were on the verge

of quitting because of the poor track

facilities at the corporation-run site.

The two promoters claim that on occasions they were losing as much

occasions they were losing as much as £400 a meeting because of the inferior facilities at the complex.

YACHTING:

The French America's Cup challenge skipper Mare Pajot flew into Perth confident that his yacht, French Kiss, will take the world 12-metre chaese inschiber part ment. Paice

Kiss, will take the world 12-metre championships next month. Pajot will sail the same craft, lannched in Paris last October, in the 1987 America's Cup challenge.

ATHLETICS: The distance runners, Eamonn Coghian, of Ireland, and Mary Slaney, were named winners of the 1985 Vitalis Award for courts excellence are tractice.

for sports excellence yesterday. Coghlan, is the first non-American

chosen for the award, which wa introducedin 1978.

BOXING: Rodolfo Sabbatini, the

Italian promoter, died of a heart attack in Rome early yesterday. He was 58. The Italian matchmaker

had been a close associate of the American promoter, Bob Arum.

FIGURE SKATING: The world,

during 1986.

final.

Despite the freezing conditions in the north, which show no signs of early abatement, the match is certain to go ahead, since Elland Road has underground heating.

League officials are expecting an attendance approaching 20,000 for the match between the two current form sides in Rugby League. There is a strong possibility that following the successful debut of the South African, Ray Mordt, last Sunday, he Cudmore and Law withdrew from de Savary's squad because of mounting dissention, and indecision, over who was to steer Victory '83. The challengers' elimination series begins next October and Law, who is staking his career, his family stability and his sailing reputhe successful debut of the South African, Ray Mordt, last Sunday, he will be drafted into the squad for

will be draited into the Saturday's game.

The matter of the sine die suspension of Steve Ford by the Welsh Rugby union is not being the state of the League will Chemistry upset by surplus element

> tation in the Royal Thames bid, dismisses the scentics whn say that the Crusader syndicate is short of time and money and will have the same after-guard problems as Lionheart, in 1980, and Victory 83.

recent comments on the validity of the suspension by the secretary-general of the Rugby League, David Oxley.

Although the League may fight shy of carrying out a threat to publish names of other Rugby Union players from Wales who have taken part in Rugby League trials, the threat is a powerful card to have up the League's sleeve. In addition, experts in the enforceable legality of the laws of sporting bodies may question the right of the Welsh Rugby Union to impose such a severe sentence, and may endorse the player's individual right to take the matter to the courts. "There's more guts in this effort even than there was with PDS, though there's less paz-2222," Law says. "Yet it should be recongized that PDS took British 12-metre racing from nowhere to being close to Liberty (Conner's hoat defeated by Australia II). I am prepared Following the recent outcry over Rugby Union refusals to create a free gangway between amateur players in League and Union, the 15-a-side game runs a serious risk. to commit myself to the character of this campaign. I want to do it because I think we can win. It's the chance of a in the eyes of many League officials and players, of backing itself into a lifetime and any crew man would be nuts not to do it.

> "Everything that has been said was going to happen so far, such as the building programme, has been on time. We shall have a two-boat campaign in training for six months. Compared with almost all the other 14 challengers, we are high up on the learning curve. The syndicate is working with same designer, Howlett, and the benchmark of Victory '83, an outstanding boat; the same construction workers, the same sail designer, Melrose; the same keel-maker, the same ropes, spars and winches, the same onshore support as in Newport of welder, electrician and rigger, under the direction of Sped-

ing for England against Switzerland in a World championship qualifying SKING: A men's World Cup downhill scheduled for Friday in Garmisch, West Germany, which competed in the Olympics in Munich, aged 20, soon after was called off due to a shortage of leaving Millfield and touring snow, will now take place in Kitzbuen on January 18 and 19. A women's giant slalom has been moved from Leysin to Crans-Mon-France with the England Under-19 rugby team. Sponsored by Olivetti, his employers, he tana on either February 1 or 2.
BOARDSAILING: The Royal finished fourth in the Soling Yachting Association are to set up a event in the Los Angeles windsurfing information centre and Olympics. De Savary had appoint a promotions secretary, who will have the responsibility for setting up and running projects designed to bring more people into the sport. The post will be funded by the windstrips trade which will discussed his possible involvement at Newport after the Moscow Olympics, but Law said he was not interested, even the windsurfing trade which will provide £20,000. Sony are to back a

Law: "chance of a lifetime"

DAVID MILLER

weeks with the Victory squad in 1982. With Crebbin and Cod. more already established Law

Then, in the spring of 1983 Lymington Cup, beating all the trand, the skipper of Australia door again. On coudit one-year contract from de Savary, Law took leave of Olivetti and west to Newport only to discover that, with Smith and Pattison now competing positions, his involvement was carborundum rather than cata lyst. Within weeks he told de Savary be must resign. "If I'd acted in my own interest and insisted on staying, it could have wrecked the campaign."

Instead, Law worked out hi contract in one of de Savary's companies then returned to Olivetti to become a sales director. Victory 83, replacing Victory 82 with only six weeks on the water before competition: still reached the elim final and took a race off Australia II, and subscene won the 1984 world champion ship. Az indication of the respect for de Sayary's supply is that six of them are now employed by Kookaburra, one of four defending syndicates which may prove to have divided Australian strength.

Law accepts that he is not guaranteed the heinsman's position, for which he is competing with Eddie Warden Owen, highly experienced in the Admiral's Cup with Phoenix. and with Joe Richards, a former One-Ton Cup world champion. Cadmore, who will be tacticien and the only skipper in Fre-mantle not at the bein acknowledges there will be rivalry for places in the final crew, as at Newport, but he

How to manage in years to come

says: "The situation will evolve between April and October, People will have to trust the management to make the right decisions and of course the afterguard is the most sensitive Law, seven times national area. There are implicit

> Law, Warden Owen, Richards and Cudmore recently competed in three low-key events in Sardinia, St Tropez and Porth to establish the chemistry of a working relation.

> Law recognizes the selection risk-factor. "Harry's an Irishman living off his nerve ends, and I respect that," he said. "He's unquestionably the top match-racing skipper in the world, and I wast to support him. I'm a team man as well as by nature an individualist. Tha unity of the crew is vital. A designer can't expect his boat to work unless the crew are capable of pulling it out."

Part of Law's gamble is that Cudmore is this month launching a sports management company, partly to organize taxdeductible fund raising, which will co-ordinate British 12metre racing in years to come. And Law is 12 years younger than Codmore.

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FOR THE RECORD

DARTS PRIMELY GREEN: Broheauy World Pro-feesional , Championalip: First Round; V Hubbert (Eng) bt T Payne (US) 3-1; J Wilson Scot) bt S Lord (Sw) 3-0; C Morpa (Walsa) ot O Valedo (US) 3-0; D Whitcombe (Eng) bt A Lotanes (EN) 3-1. SQUASH RACKETS ICE HOCKEY GLOUCESTER: Abboy Medonal Brillet their-79 Girls Open Championethic: Stat. S Medie NORTH AMERICA: National League (NHL): Pittsburgh Penguins 4, New Jerney Devils 3; Montreal Carnediens 9, St. Louis Blues 2. TOUR MATCH: Dynamo Moscow 5, Sceton GMS Open Championethic Sheb S MSC g) bt O Vardy (Eng) 9-10, 9-7, 9-2, 9-2 CYCLING MADROD: Shr-day most, Fedrife singet 1, 3 Kretamern (Helft) and 3-L Harento (Sp) 105 pts; One lay: 2, A Bondoe (Fr) and F Printer, (heath 118; Two lays: 3, L Van Viet (Se) and J-M Moreno (Sp) 108.

BOWLS

1, 9-3; 8 Taylor bt A Bainding 4-9, 9-2; K Bainbridge bt A Bathe 9-4, 9-3; W Wood bt S Franklin 9-1, 9-8, Second regards 8 Taylor bt J Bakar 9-7, 9-4; S Patter bt T Lowe 9-6, 8-8; N Burrows bt J leanan 9-4, 9-7. LOMEARD CHAMPION OF GHAMPIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS Eastern start J Ottowny bt J Paton 21-5. Western star: C Perty bt J Hobday 21-72. PERRIE BEACH, Caltionies Souther Instantional Tournament, Pinel Souther 272 / Norte. 25th II Forenamen, M Brooks. 275 & Normen, G Archer. 27th A. Roth, R Cav. P Oostachule, H Clark, II Pooley. TENNIS

ATHLETICS WEST POINT, Here York; piller 1, 1 Coghin

From John Ballantine, Carlsbad, California

Sandy Lyle, Bernhard Langer and the 21-year-old amateur compete io con-PGA events Scott Verplank are all potential like the Masters and the US winners of the Tournament of Opeo and knowing him I would Champions which starts here today. Lyle won the Open at George's, Langer took the US Masters and Sea Pines titles in two glorious weeks last April, and Verplank, won 31/2 out of four poiots in the Walker Cup last season and then in August became the first amateur for 29 years to win a professional event, the Western

Verplank, who uses a putter grip padded to the size of a cricket bat handle, gets another chance among the cream of last year's professional winners to prove that he might be the "new licklaus" for whom the United States has been breathlessly waiting

The Tournameot of Champions, whose 33-year history is studded with great oames -Lanny Wadkins, Tom Watson and Tom Kite have been the last three winners - occupied a place on the calendar just after the Masters until its appropriate move this season to become the flagship of the tour. To start the US Tour seasoo off with such a classic is a bonus.

The most notable absence is

Severiano Ballesteros, who won the New Orleans classic last March and thus qualified to play, but he was latter banned from the tour because he played in only nine events against the minimum of 15.

The Spaniard will not be allowed to play in March in the explained. Doral-Eastern Open at the club in Miami which he represents, hut he has permission to defend his title in New Orleans two weeks later and it will be interesting to see if he agrees to

Ballesteros will be able to compete io oon-PGA events pleasure in ruhbing American noses into the turf of Augusta and Oakland Hills if he can. Verplank, a Oklahoma State player, is smaller than the

roajority of professionals of the tour, being about 5ft 9ins and 11 ½ stone. His amateur career ranks with those of Nieklaus, Ben Crenshaw and Bohby Clampett. In 1984 Verplank caroe from behind to beat the

Californian Sam Randolph in the US Amateur and last season io 26 collegiate, amateur and professional events the handsoroe Oklahoman won 11 times finished second four times and had 22 finishes in the top 10. Willie Wood, another Okla-

homan graduate who is two inches shorter and two stone ighter than his former teammate, predicts generously that Verplank will become "the finest player in our school's history." We will discover whether this is true when Verplank joins Wood, who last year finished fiftieth with \$153,706. (£107,112) oo the

Both players are fine putters and Verplank's unique grip cao be picked out on greens half a mile away. He pads the putter handle with layers of white gauze until it is more than an inch across. "I've been doing this since I was a kid," he

Peter Thomson, five times winner of the Open who won \$386,724 (£269,495) to finish top on the senior tour last season just ahead of Lee Elder and Don January, defends his do so. Turning the other cheek title here io a competition that has never been one of most runs alongside the main tournaimmediate reactions to life's ment. Gary Player qualified hut will not compete.

stage last year. She had been ranked only fourth to England despite winding a rather moderate national

ehampionship for the second successive year, and could not get either invitations or selections. Now

either invitations or selections. Now she has earned a £1,000 sponsorship

BADMINTON

English tempted by eastern promise

By Richard Eaton The Pro-Kennex World Grand sum in order to keep going at one Prix has assumed such greatly increased status in the scheme of things that it was announced a vesterday that 17 English players would be travelling to the Far East on Sunday for the start of the lucrative 1986 circuit.

Incrative 1986 circuit.

The flock of players abroad is likely to increase. English strength is traditionally in doubles, and this year, for the first time, doubles events have been added to the computer points table. For those who qualify for December's finals, an extra \$50,000 (about £33,000) doubles title in the Brinish Airways will now be available in addition to

will now be available, in addition to the \$83,000 prize money given to with Nigel Tier, probably the last year's successful singles players.

With such sums becoming today. Yet at 27. Tier has hardly enticingly, it it not surprising that made a bean out of badmintou. Few five players are prepared to miss the would begrudge him being lured by chance to appear on Channel four the lucre.

next month during the national The establishment of a competi-

championships. tive English satellite circuit – as well Fifeeen British pairs have entered as more attractive national chamthe doubles events in the first two pionships - must remain a priority, tournaments, the Taipei Masters The growth of an international clite, and the Japan Open to Kiryu and increasingly divorced from the okyo. domestie game, could create a
Fiona Elliott spent a four-figure chasm too daunting to leap.

BOWLS:

Belliss aims at another world championship

Peter Belliss, the World cham-pion, returns to Scotland next £41,000; the winner's cheque will be month for the first time since £11,000, which is £5,000 more than winning the title in Aberdeen 18 in 1985. The field have been months ago. This time, the New increased from 16 to 24 players for Zealander has his sights on the Embassy world indoor ehampion-ships to be played at Coatbridge

The draw for the tournament may mean that Bellius will play the the tie between the Irishman, Dave reigning world indoor champion, Hamitton, and Caoada's Ron Jones. Terry Sullivan, of Woles, in the quarter-final. Both players had received a bye into the second winner. Bob Sutherlan.

extended from six to seven days.

David Bryant, who has won the world indoor champion three times is scheduled to meet the winner of the tie between the Irishman, Dave

received a hye into the second mund.

Belliss faces the winner of the tic between England's Andry Ross of England and the young Scott, Richard Corsie, while Sultivan meets either George Souza, of Hong Kong, or Tommy Reeves, of Ireland.

Everything about the 1985 event is higger and better than last year, particularly the prize money, which

New direction for slalom racing to have these races. We need more

Vienna (Reuter) - An experimen-nat parallel slalom race on Monday may mark a turning point in World Cup skiing. The event was intended to bring extra tension to the traditional racing form and, by attracting city-dwellers away from their television sets, develop a new

A near-expacity crowd of 6,000 A near-capacity crowd of 6,000 attended the event in the Vicuna woods. "It brings as closer to people who admire skiers but usually only see them on television," Serge Lang, founder of the World Cup circuit, said. "I'm proud if people say it is a shew - thet's absolutely right. We have to find much more difficult courses, perhaps with some form of jumps."

Most skiers liked the idea of the top 32 on the World Cup circuit competing in head-to-head races down parallel slopes instead of individually against the clock. The results counted only towards Nations Cup standings, not individual World Cup positions.

some warned of the danger of turning the white circus into a circus. Markus Wasmeler expressed concern thet the show-bosiness side could take over. "It has to be like this, unfortunately", he said. A West German team trainer

A West German team trainer commented: "Skiing is taken so seriously during the whole season and this is a nice change."

Karl Schranz, Austrian nki champion of the 1960s, watched the race with boyish enthusiasm. "It's a new start for skiing. This kind of event makes indirect publicity for the whole sport near the big cities. Show is an integral part of sport. The Americans have shown us that again and again." egain and sealn."

Peter Mueller of Switzerland, disqualified for missing a gate in the first round, agreed: "To keep the spectators' interest we have to offer

then for the Nations Cap.

"I like skiing before a big crowd, but it is more stressful. It's hard to not it is more stressful. It's hard to concentrate when you have a man skiing alongside you."

Marco Tonazzi, who finished fourth, also enthused about the event: "People like to watch the big champions skiing, many times in front of them, and see their idols up-close."

Organizers said the race gave the Viennese a chance to watch top competitors without having to travel to the Alps. The cost of the events, budgetted at 3.2 million schillings (£200,000) after it became necessary to produce and bring in by helicopter 1,800 cubic meters of artificial snow, organizers said. The World Cup organizing committee will pay the bulk, with the balance picked up by the city of Vicuna.

the city of Vicuna.

Lang said a mea's parallel sialou them something."

ttaly's Evano Edalini, drinking champagne after his surprise victory on Monday, said: "It is a good idea this year for Bromont, Quebec.

RACING: PREDICTIONS OF BLOODSTOCK SLUMP MAY BE UNFOUNDED

In envisaging a crash comparable to the 1973-74 Londoo property disaster, Macrae talks wittily of the Jockey Club

withly of the Jockey Club disciplining bumptious little 25-year-old millionaires called

jockeys" and describes a world

of fantasy in which an Arah.

overcome by having woo his first classic distributed £2,800

amongst three astonished wait-

in 1970.

leon and Sadlers Wells.

323 yearlings were sold in Keeneland for an average of

\$544,681, an increase of over

1,000 per cent on the 1974

As Macrae points oul the

bubble started to burst in 1985

when the average was down at all the main yearling sales. At Keeneland in July, for example,

although an individual record

was established when the Sangster group paid \$13,1m for

a Nijinsky colt, the average was down to \$426,252, that is to say

hype had been caused by over-

merely shaken up and this afternoon at Plumpton the son of the former

Going: heavy .

below the level of 1983.

into first As many of our leading Flat racing owners, trainers and breeders are besporting themselves on a variety of sub-trop-ical beaches from Bali to From John Nicholls Barbados or are hurling themselves gleefully down the slopes of the more fashionable skring

The clear winner of the first leg of the Whithread Round the World race, the French entry, L'Esprit d'Equipe, skippered by Lionel Pean, failed to reach the finishing line at Auckland yesterday. In fact, there was no sign of her finishing at all in the diminishing breeze and so she has not only failed to win the second leg on handicap, but has also now been overtaken on aggregate as leader of the race. eader of the race.

YACHTING

Innovator

moves

place

leader of the race.

Although there was a lively breeze off Auckland waterfront, there must have been appreciably less further out to sea. By 11.30 am, when 1. Esprit d'Egipe should have finished if she was to maintain the overall lead, she was still about 60 miles from the line. She has now fallen to at least third on corrected ome for the 7,000 mile leg and will drop even further behind the boats that have already finished if she does not come in soon.

oes not come in soon.
On corrected time, the winner of this second leg, from Cape Town to Auckland, was the 63st yacht, Philips Innovator, designed by two Dutchmen, Rolf Vrolijk and Fiete Judel, and skippered by Dirk Nauta. She was seventh across the line, close on the heels of the Maxi yachts close on the heels of the Maxi yachts in Divisioo A and comfortably first of the four boats in Division C. There were no entries in Division B. Philips Innovator had been second on handicap to L'Esprit d'Equipe after the first leg from Portsmouth to Cape Town, so she is now firmly established in first place on corrected time for the first two

legs.
Second on handicap in the second leg was the American entry, Atlantic Privateer, skippered by Padda Kuttel, which was the first of the Maxi division to finish. She, however, retired from the first leg after being dismasted and so cannot wio either the Long John Trophy for the best elapsed time over the 27,000 mile course or the Whithread Trophy for corrected time.

This makes another of the 80ft maxis, UBS Switzerland, sure of second place oo aggregate corrected time, as well as third place for the second leg. To some extent the boats that have already finished this leg have been lucky. Soon after Philips have been lucky. Soon after Philips hnovator had crossed the line, the breeze died right away and left those still at sea frustratingly close to the finish, but unable to reach it. Still, the smaller boats had been favoured at the end of the first leg,

when they missed the storm that played havoc with the leaders. So, at played havoc with the leaders. So, at the halfway stage, the race is nicely balanced. Apart from L'Esprit d'Equipe, all the leading conteoder are now drying in the sun at Auckland, making varying ue of the time available before the race restarts, to Punta del Este, co February 15.

The tailenders, needless to say will not get nearly so much time ashore. For example, SAS Baia Viking, skippered by Jesper Norsk, of Denmark, had still to cover 1,600 mlies at nooo yesterday, so it will

miles at nooo yesterday, so it will probably be another 10 days before she shows up. She is the smallest of the 15 entries - 50ft - and probably oever sees any of the other boats between the start of each leg and the finish.

BOBSLEIGH

High hopes for Britain

By Chris Moore

The start of official practice fo this week's fourth round of the World Cup in Cervinia was reduced to only one lauf yesterday because of damage to the Italian track. Two newly built corners were showing signs of breaking up, and rather than nisk the threat of injury, officials cancelled the last two training runs. The final three are scheduled for this morning before the two-man competition gets under way tomor-row. Britain's Niek Phipps and his crew of Bob Thoroc, Keith Power and Alan Cearns, have been at Cervinia since New Year's Day and were not unduly concerned at

esterday's shortened session.
"We've already had nice runs in unofficial practice, so it will be no great handicap", said Phipps, who won gold and brooze medals in the second round of the World Cup series on the other Italian track at

Cortina last month.

Those successes left the British champion in second place in the combined standings in the two-man competition and third in the four-man. But he lost both spots by missing the third-round trip to Sarajevo just before Christmas. However, points from only five of the six World Cup meetings count. so Phipps still has everything go to for in Cervinia, and in the final two rounds in Si Moritz and Lake

Also, the fact that the leading East Germans and Swiss are elsewhere this week, will greatly enhance Britain's chances of further medals The East Germans have sent only their second string. Their top trio of the Otympic Games champion Wolfgang Hoppe, Bernhard Lehmann and Detlef Richter, are encentrating on preparation for next week's European championships

Rebuff for a prophet of doom

or the more rasmonance skinger resorts, a cloud, as yet no bigger than a man'o hand, has appeared on their blissful horizon in the shape of an article in *The Economist* by Norman Macrae. This oew-found This oew-found prophet thinks that what he calls "the temporary golden age of racing" that a dramatic slump must inevitably follow a boom, has been inflation of 1,000 per cent in the past decade.

Rainbow Quest, an English-based stallion to whom the Americans could send mares.

The analyst made a close and signal that they were going to rationalize their act. detailed study of his subject. He However, the main reasoo for accurately describes how the upward spiral was started by Robert Sangster, Vincent Macrae forecasting a catastrophy of Titanic-like pro-Robert Sangster, Vincent O'Brien and their partners in portions is that it is thought to be certain that President Rea-gan will sooo withdraw the tax good for the industry. the Coolmore group of operations, realizing the potential for European racing inherent in concessions that has made owning racehorses such a the offspring of the prepotent North American stallion, Northern Dancer after Nijinspainless and enjoyable occupation in the States. The overall strength of the industry has ky's capture of the triple crown always depended upon a heal-thy state in the North American Due mainly to the genius of O'Brien, the Irish trainer, the

market group achieve spectacular suc-However two sound judges think that we are not yet on the cess with such colts as The Minstrel, Golden Fleece, Caerhrink of Armageddon, but are merely seeing a realistic level-ling out of prices. Gerald Leigh, the owner of that top class filly, Brocade has 20 broodmares. He With the advent of the oil rich Arabs on the scene from 1977 oowards, eager to join io the bonanza, a glorious spend-ing spree started at the Keeneraces his filies and sells his colts and last July at Keeneland land (Kentucky) July and other top yearlings sales. This process reached its climax in 1984 when received \$2.6m for a yearling by

Leigh says: "I can see the withdrawal of tax concessions will ohviously have an effect oo professional people, who enjoyed having a few horses around for their tax position. However i don't see it causing a major withdrawal from the market. I think this was dramatically illustrated at the November breeding sales which were extremely eocouraging. The European heavies stood back with their mouths open. Most of the huyers were

indeed the average of this This happened for two sale of mares, foals, fillies and principal reasons, much of the stallion nominations was about the same as in the previous two

Aughra Boura can cheer Grantham

Aughra Bours will be receiving 8lb

from Oversway and this should tip

Charlie Moore, the Brightoo

Those who were at Sandown Park on - Saturday and saw Tom Grantham take such a hortifice-looking fall From Freddie Bee at the fence in froot of the stands will have had a first-hand reminder of the sort

of dangers National Hunt jockeys almost certainly come from the top

have to live with every day.

Happily, Grantham, who lay still for some while having seemingly been trampled by his mount, was

royal Jockey. Tony, can bounce back the balance in the former's favour.

10 winning form on Aughra Boura. Charlie Moore, the Brighto

who is napped to take the trainer sets punters a puzzle in the Cooksbridge Amateur Riders' second division of the Crowbridge Handicap Chase.

Josh Gifford's 10-year-old has Airborne Deal, the recent Lingfield

been a model of consistency this season, having won three of his son, Gary, and Snowball Danny, the seven races and made the frame on the other four occasions. Two of Aughra Boura's victories have been over today's course and distance

1.30 CROWBOROUGH NOVICE HURDLE (Div I: £685; 2m) (12 runners)

15-8 Mardon Monarch, 100-30 Namoos, 9-2 Symbiotic, 6 Barnini, 13-2 Jimmy Lorenzo, 12 Mango Man, 16 others.

PORISE MERDON MONARCH (10-10) made all to beat Easby Emblem (10-10) at at Nottingham (2m Nov Hdis, 2583, good, Dec 1, 23 ran), SERNINI (11-0) at 2nd to Shangoseer (11-5) at Cheltentiam (2m Nov Hdis, 51832, and, Apr 10, 10 ran), Malifolds (10-11) 18 4th to Foyle Fisherman (10-11) at Fontwell (2m 2f Nov Hdis, 51848, good, Dac 3, 16 ran), Jillimy LORENZIO (10-9) at out to beat Gibbons Moon (10-9) at Fontwell (2m 1f Juy Hdis, 5333, heavy, Dec 27, 14 ran), 574(BUTC) (10-10) 337-1 5th to Harves (10-10) at Fontwelt serier (10-10) 2 vs. 2nd to Bright Fellow (10-10) at the same course (2m 2f Nov Hdis, 5348, good, Aug 14, 9 ran).

Plumpton selections By Mandarin 1.30 Merdoo Monarch. 2.0 Jimmy Boy. 2.30 Cerimau. 3.0 Par Sevvy. 3.30 AUGHRA BOURA (nap). 4.0 Clearly Bust.

10 90/9-ffe* PLAIN JMM (Dr C Shadd) P Butter

5-2 Cresum, 6 Major Torn, 9-2 Membridge, 6 Colonel Christy, King Ba Ba, 0 Certmau, 10 Drive Easy, 13 Grey Tarquin, 20 others.

POINT: GERMAN (10-0) 20 'N1-45 to Buckle (10-0) at Lingded (2m Hroup Ch. 23,773, good, Dec 21, 5 ran). COLONEL CHRISTY (11-10) stayed on to be 100-45 to Prince Carton (10-10) at Feliamham (3m Hroup Ch. 21-416, good, Dec 20, 9 ran). MEMBRIDGE (10-4) best effort this season when 17 H, 44 to b Havy Suzeet (11-7) at Sandown (2m 44 Hroup Ch. 25116, good to firm, Nov 23, 4 ran). CRESSIN (10-3) on penultimete statement (3m 44 Hroup Ch. 25116, good to firm, Nov 23, 4 Ch. 251785, soft, Dec 10, 5 ran). MAJOR TORI (10-57 ran on when 42 2nd to Crowning Moment (10-0) at Teuraton (3m 17 Hroup Ch. 21928, good, Dec 3, 5 ran). PRINTE EAST (11-5) New 23m 47 Nov Ch. 21928, good to firm, Nov 27, 9 ran).

Selection: CRESSIN

By Michael Seely 2.30 King Ba Ba. 3.30 Aughra Boura. 4.0 CLEARLY BUST (nap).

2.0 PEVENSEY NOVICE CHASE (£1,360: 2m) (10)

2.30 PORTSLADE HANDICAP CHASE (£2,372: 3m 1f) (10)

2.30 PORT SLADE MANUSCAP CHASE (2.C.) C. GM 11/2

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2 1112-35 CERTINAU (Nirs E Elia) J Edwards 8-12-3

3 20/3304 COLONEL CRESTY (CD) (H O'Neit) H O'Neit 11-11-4

4 60-0003 GREEPRORE PRIDE (A Baird Ligh P Burgors 9-10-16

5 421-249 MEMBRIDGE (SP) (P Duicsee) P Duicsee 11-10-10

0 020-24 CRESUM (J Bolent) S Woodman 7-10-4

7 90340-2 MAJOR TOM (Nirs J Publy W Wightman 9-10-1

0 000032 DRIVE EASY (Mrs M Deviser) Fairings 14-10-9

0 000032 DRIVE EASY (Mrs M Deviser) P Earling 8-10-0

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PLUMPTON

rivals in Dubai last spring was a managing director of the British have so many well-bred fillies

hreeding sales. "The Arabs now appear to loom ahead.

Bloodstock Agency is also Inevitably some of them will be optimistic about the future failures and will be sold at the "This is a perfectly natural December saies. And the Ausreaction to the inflation of the tralians, New Zealanders, South past few years", he said. "And Africans and others will be anything which stops the flocking to Newmarket to huy overpricing of stallions must be their culls."

"When the Arabs have horses like Rainbow Ouest and Shareef Dancer at stud over here, to say nothing about the established British stallions such as Mill Reef and Shirley Heights, the Americans are obviously going to be sending and buying mares over here. And if prices fall any further, the middle of the road breeder may be albe to afford a Northern Dancer filly, which

To sum up, Mr Macrae's analysis is masterly, but his conclusions may be overdramatic. The ramifications and the infrastructure of the industry is very complicated. With many people owning and breeding horses for so many different reasons, falls in price at the top will inevitably benefit hreeders lower down in the

was previously only a dream. The levelling out process will Major Phillipson also sees certainly continue for a year or increased world interest the two, hut disaster does not

Strike hits English raid From Our Irish Correspondent, Dublin

A shipping strike is causing problems for trainers in Britain auxious to participate in the IR£25,000 added Sweeps Handicap Hurdle at Leonardstown on Satur-

Peter Easterhy (Comedy Fair), Martin Pipe (Cats Eyes) and David Elsworth (Honeydew Wonder) had all made arrangements all made arrangements to send their charges over by boat to Dublin this evening. With no settlement in sight they will be obliged to reconsider transport plans and embark on the more expensive air charter, which Simon Christian has arranged for

At the four-day declaration stage 26 runners were nominated, and Bve of them hail from British stables. aggressive competition between the Arabs and the Sangster confidence.

Years, a sure sign of underlying the Arabs and the Sangster confidence.

Major Christo Phillipsoo, the trouble getting his entry Taelos over

Clearly Bust, who, with David Hood claiming 7th: will be receiving

who recently made the top-class Ten Plus exert himself at Cheltenham.

They then returned to the course to get the better of the well-fancied

Asswan, who was not disgraced in a

the form looks highly respectable.

a large field at Nottingham last month, looks the answer to the first division of Clearly Bust's race.

The most valuable event on the card, the Portslade Handicap Chase Io what could be termed typically Irish piece of definition the Sweeps Hurdle is described in the racing calendar as "a limited extended handicap for four-year-This means the top weight will b

is still operational.

raised to 12st at Friday's overnight stage and as things stand that will be Miller Hill, allotted 11st 2lh in the original handicap, All the other entries will be similarly raised by 12th and the limited side is found in the stipulation that no runner will carry less than 10st. As things have worked out, though, every runner with the exception of Oomigh's Jully will carry their correct weight and even Oonigh's Jolly is a mere 11h below the 10st minimum.

13th from the Moore pair. Hood, a useful young rider attached to Stan Mellor's Lambourn yard, has ridden Clearly Bust to both his victories.

On the horse's debut at Southwell the combination beat Saint Acton, Griggs said yester Griggs said yesterday afternoon: "Although it would have been possible to race today, persistent there will be a precinspection in the morning. competitive event at Kempton, so

Inspection at

rain has lurned the ground from sef to heavy and with more on the way there will be a precautionary

Wincanton tomorrow. The going a Merdon Monarch, who trounced the Somerset course is soft and no inspection is planned at the moment. The meeting at Southwell oo the same day is in grave doubt, however. Stewards will inspect the frostbound Nottinghamshire course looks tricky, but Ceriman, from at 9.0 this morning, but with snow John Edward's in-form stable is just forecast the chances of racing are

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Tinoco, 16 others.

FORM: BLACK SPOUT (10-7) body hampered when 16th to Traffitanzi (11-0) at Folkestone (
Nov Hole, 5580, good to soft, Dec 17, 19 ran), FLORI WONDER (11-8) 3½ 3rd to Pass Actions (
9) at Bengor (2m Self Hole, 5500, good to soft, Dec 9, 16 ran), UBROLZOTOUS LADY (10-0) of
form when 301 2nd to Hurricane Hill (11-0) at this course (2m Self Hole, 2703, good Aug 16,
ran), PAR SEVVY (11-8) 201 3rd to Lifean Flour (10-7) at Southwelt, seriler (10-5) beat SONG (
CHRISTE (10-0) 2½ at Nottingham (2m Self Hole, 5708, soft, Dec 7, 14 ran), SOLSTOIC (
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Customs rules outside statute

Customs and Excise, Ex parte Hedges & Butler Ltd Before Lord Justice Mustill and Mr Justice McNeill

Sludement delivered December 19} The provisions of regulation 8(1) of the Excise Warehousing (Etc) Regulations (SI 1982 No 612) in so far as they required an occupier or proprietor of an excise warehou preserve all records relating to his business for not less than, two years were ultra rives the powers contained in section 93(2)(g) of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979, as amended by section 11 of and Schedule 8 to the Finance Act 1981.

The Cusen's Bench Divisional

The Oueen's Bench Divisional Court so held in granting to the applicants. Hedges and Butler Ltd. in an application for judicial review of a decison of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise dated July 25, 1984 requiring the applicants to make available for inspection certain records relating to their husiness, a declaration that that requirement had been improperly

provides, by section 93: (2) Warehousing regulation may ... in-clude provisions ... (g) imposing of n warehouse or the proprietor of goods in a warehouse to keep and preserve records relating to his business as such an occupier or proprietor ... and may contain such incidental or supplementary pro-visions as the commissioners think necessary or expedient for the protection of the revenue."

The 1982 Regulations provide, by regulation 8: "(1) Save as the proper officer may otherwise allow, the occupier or proprietor shall preserve all records relating to his business for not less than two years Mr John Hieks, QC and Mr Nigel Tozzi for the applicants; Mr Michael Rich, QC and Mr John Howell for the commissioners.

LORD JUSTICE MUSTILL said that the applicants were wine and spirit merchants, who owned an extensive site comprising several warehouses. They also traded in non-alcoholic beverages and other

The issue which fell for determi-nation was whether the words "all records relating to his business" in regulation 8(1) were wider in scope than "records relating to his business as such an occupier or proprietor" in regulation 7.
If so, was regulation 8 void as having been made ultra viring the powers conferred by section 93(2%gt of the Act of 1979? The words in regulation 8(1) had

to be interpreted according to their plain meaning, The commissioners' argument, that the concluding words of section 93(2) read in conjunction with the geogral power contained in section 95(1) and the specific instances of it given in paragraphs (a) 10 (f) of section 93(2) were sufficient in themselves to create an unlimited

Plumpton

A forecast of heavy rain and snow during the night has prompted Plumpton's clerk of the course, Cliff Griggs, to make a precautionary inspection of the Sussex track at 7.30 this morning to decide whether plemental" to section 93(2)(g) of the Act in the sense that it was required to implement what was in the Act.

It created a new and radically more extensive set of powers. It was an extension of the section. There was no ground for supposing that the legislature, in amending the existing legislation so as to confer specific new powers, had conferred, silently, more iodefinite and wider

So interpreted, regulation 8 was ultra vires and void. The applicants were cotilled to a declaration that the requirement by the com-missioners had not been properly

MR JUSTICE McNEILL said that he regarded regulation 8 as machinery implementing the pow-ers of the officer in respect of the records referred to in regulations 6 and 7 and not as creating an additional power in respect of records not referred to in those two

regulations.

The heading of Part II of the regulations; "Control of Excise Warehouses and Warehoused Goods" pointed to the narrower meaning of regulation 8(1).

The wide construction would lead to the unreceptable construction would lead to the unreceptable construction. to the unreasonable consequence that husiness records wholly unconnected with the wine and spirits trade would be required to be

If his Lordship was wrong on the construction point, he found no difficulty in holding that regulation 8(1) was ultra vires the 1979 Act. Regulation 8(1) purported to do something which was not provided for in section 93(2)(g) of the Act and was an unwarranted arrogation of powers.

Solicitors: Hobson Audley & Co; Solicitor, Customs and Excise.

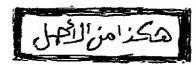
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The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Watkins, Lord Justice Croom-Johnson and Sir David Cairns) so heid on December 19, allowing an appeal by the defendant and reversing the decision of Judge

and reversing the decision of Judge McDonnell at Westminster County Court, who had given judgment for the plateliffs for £2,420 in unpaid tuition fees.



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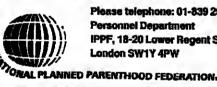
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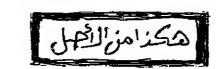
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Will steady prices pull the British back to Barbados?

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Oh to be in Barbados now that winter's here. The weather is dry and sunny, with the temperature around a delightful 80 degrees F and the atmosphere relaxed as the island's

season nears its peak.

Like all the Caribbean islands, it attracts large numbers of Americans attracts large numbers of Americans as tourists, yet Barbados remains the most British of them, retaining a strong influence which began when an English ship returning in 1625 from Brazil stopped at the island and claimed it for the English Crown.

In postwar years, there has been a steady interest in buying property in Barbados, helped perhaps when the former Prime Minister, Anthony Eden bought a fine old plantation

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More recently the market has been quiet although there has been a regular trickle of overseas buyers, including Britons and other Europeans. In the past few years, the exchange rate has proved an obstacle. for the pound has been weak against the US dollar, and the Barbadian dollar is a fixed 1.98 to the US dollar.

The pound's recovery against the dollar is one reason for increased interest in property in Barbados. After five years when the market has been dormant in terms of prices, there is now a feeling that prices will rise, and a number of people are beginning to take advantage of the present prices. It is a buyers' market, and one of the leading agents, Alleyne, Aguilar and Altman, believe that - based on

past property holdings by British investors - the British will be back. For overseas buyers, the market is effectively divided in two: the upmarket houses, probably close to the beach and usually on the west coast, and apartments, also predominantly in the same area, looking over the lazzling sand and turquoise sea of the

One of the outstanding houses for sale recently is Alan Bay House, which has four bedrooms, large living room and verandah, and is set in nearly an acre of tropical gardens and pools with a 150ft frontage to the beach at Sandy Lane, St James.

It was huilt in 1961, and designed by Oliver Messel, who later rede-signed it, and indeed was responsible for the style of several houses in Barbados. The single-storey house is built of coral stone, with ceilings of pickled pine, and there is an additional two-bedroom guest cottage in the grounds. When put on the market it was priced at £600,000, but that has been reduced to about £440,000. (Details from Alleyne, Aguilar and Altman in Barbados and John D. Wood in London.)



Modern housing, Barbadian-style: the octagonal rooms of Edgecombe House, for sale at £315,090. It is set on a cliff in the centre of the island with views of sugar cane and tropical vegetation

coast at Saody Lane, St James, often described as the "gold coast", was built in 1964 and is set in 11/2 acres of grounds with views both of the Caribbean and the Sandy Lane golf course. Like many of the luxurious properties here, it is on one storey. The four-bedroom house is built around an inner garden courtyard, with a verandah and a series of wings. It has a terraced swimming pool (it is in fact a mile from the beach), and ownership gives the right of membership at the golf club.

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Pound House, Petworth, West Sussex, is a listed Georgian town house so-called because it was originally the old pound for stray animals. With three bedrooms and two reception rooms, the house has a walled garden on three levels. The property, described by Cubitt and West at Petworth as of "much notedital", is for sale at more time. potential", is for sale at more than £50,000.

Georgian plot

When the Craven Hill estate at Hampstead Marshall near Newbury was sold a year ago a new development was planned on part of it, including one house on a rather superior plot — a four-acre walled garden surrounded by Grade 1 walled garden surrounded by Grade 1 isted walls, with a 17th-century bowling green running along the top of one section of wall. The plot was on offer at £150,000, and the house is now nearly completed. The Georgian-style property has four reception rooms, four bedroom suites and two further bedrooms, and separate staff accommodation. It is built to a high specification and the buyer can make changes. It is for sale, with offers of more than 2600,000, through Burrough and Company of Hungerlord.

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An unusual 17th-century lodge, returbished to a high standard, at Maya. His, Nibley, near Bristol, is for sale at around £95,000 through Knight Frank and flutley's Cirencester office. The lodge of stone and parity timber frames, has three bedrooms, space to make a fourth, and two reception rooms. It has fine views across open countryside towards Bath, and according to the agents offers "an ideal opportunity" either for a young family or business. agents offers "an ideal opportunity" either for a young family or business executive working in any of the surrounding centres.

Lord it at the manor

Marston Trussell Hall, on the borders of Northamptonshire and Leicestershire. near Market Harborough, is being sold by the present Lord of the Manor. The title will form part of the sale, but is not included in the £225,000 for the house included in the £225,000 for the house sought by Scott Pinkham of Northampton and Jackson-Stops and Staff. The title dates back to 1315 and the Hall to the early 1600s, and in keeping with tradition, the owner - and Lord - is expected to chair the parish meeting, to be a church warden, trustee of the ancient charities, to hold the village fête in the grounds and to entertain the villagers on Christmas Eve... The main rooms of the Hall look over fine 17th-century wrought from gates to a lake 17th-century wrought fron gates to a lake

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Beware agent-speak

The New Year comes with forecasts that it will be a good year for the property market. "Bouyant" is nne nf the terms used. It often is, and no doubt it will be far some.

Before buoyancy carries the market aloft and out of sight, however, there is just time to consider two New Year resolutions: do not take estate agents' descriptions of property for sale too, seriously, and take more seriously, but not too seriously, the options other than solicitors for conveyancing.

Both resolutions could be trans-ferred into New Year gifts, bringing a little reality back after Christmas. For the more mature person, a booklet called *Brothel in Pimilico* could be a help, it is unlikely that anyone under the age of 32 will understand it, but it is a tale of excitement and derring-do based on newspaper advertisements in the 1960s for bnuses and flats in Londoo placed by Roy Brooks.

He took the unusual view for an estate agent of putting a property oo his books in its worst, or realisitic, light rather than give a description that on one would recognize; and apart from the fact that his advertisements were funny, they also sold

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yourself conveyancing.
One such is The Conveyancing
Fraud by a solicitor, Michael Inseph, which has sold 50,000 copies. To mark this achievement he is nffering the book (£3.95) with the necessary forms (a further £3.50), and a new service: the right in three telephone consultations with him as the conveyancing progresses. That will cost £5 and the combined package is £12.45. Each telephone conversation can last up to 15 minutes, and details are available from 27 Occupation Lane, London SE18.

Resolutions can be broken, if the is money to spare, and a New Your present may be the answer. It is probably too late for Savills' offer probably too late fire Savills' offer the right to fish for salmon on the River Spey in May for the oext 3d years, with up to seven rods, fire which the agents asked the "incredibly modest" price of offers over

There is time though for the latest crop of Lordships of the Manor, which must be one of the property growth industries although it does oot necessarily include property. Strutt and Parker are now offering about 100 approaching its current value. In their Lordships, ranging from The book is available from certain £6,000 to around £30,000, including bookshops or Roy Brooks, 359 Kings rare Loodoo titles in East Ham, West Road, Chelsea, Londoo SW3 5ES, at Ham and Plaistow.

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BBC 1

6.00 Coolex AM. 6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Salina Scott. ther at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55. 8.25 and 8.56; regional news, weather and travel at 6.57. 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; the new Top Twenty at 7.32: playwright Louise Page reviews the morning newspapers at 8.37.
Plus, Bevarly Alt's fashion
hints; and Alison Mitchell's phone-in financial advice.

9.20 Ceefax 10.30 Play School. presented by Sarah Long with guest, Stuart Bradley 10.50 Gharber, This week's edition of the magazine programme tor Asian women includes the regular presenters talking to Sarta Maheshwari about their work, interests and pastimes 11.15 Ceefax.

12.30 News After Moon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale, includes news headlines with subtitles 12.55 Regional news and weather. 1.00 Pebble Milf at One. The 12.30 Wish You Were Here ...? -Judith Chalmer's reports from

cooking carron, John Eley, joins forces with Rabbi Lionel Blue to create some heavenly cooking, Liverpool post Craig Charles; Radio 2 disc jockey Ken Bruce; and singer Marti Webb complete the line-up 1.45 Bagpuss (r) 2.00 Ceefax. 3.52 Regional news.

3.55 Herry's Cat goes on a Treasure Hunt. Narrated by Bob Godfray 4.10 Jimbo and the Jet Set Cartoon series 4.15 Jackanory. Rik Mayali with the third episode of Boald Dahi's story, George's Marvelious Medicine 4.25 Laurel and Hardy, Carloon. varsion (r).

4.30 Wizbit. A new series for idren starring Paul Daniels 5.00 John Craven's Newsround 5.05 The Farm, by Julia Jones. The story of a young man who decides he doesn't want to work on the school: Starring Haydn

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5.35 First Class. The first round of a new video quiz for schools. presented by Debbie Greenwood.

6.00 News with Nicholas Witchell end Andrew Harvey. Weather, 6 35 London Plus.

7.00 Wogan, Ronnie Cortiett's ests include David Frost, guests include David Frost, Marian Montgomery, and enthropological documentary film-maker Baron Hugo Von

7.35 No Place Like Home. The first in a new sedes of the dome comedy starring William Gaunt and Patricia Garwood, the couple whose children always return home when there is trouble in their own particular

nest (Ceolax). 8.05 Comedy Classic: Dad's Army. Captain Mainwaring s platoon take on their old rivals. Eastgate platoon, in an initiative test. The warden, the vicer and the verger, see fair

9.00 News with Julia Somervilla end John Humphrys. Weather.

9.30 The Mantage A six-part documentary tracing the engagement and first yes marriage of Marc and Karen (Ceefex) (see Choice).

10.15 Film: The Dynamite Man from Glory Jall (1971) starring James Stewart, George Kennedy, Anne Bester and Kurt Russell. Mettle Appleyer planning his future with the \$25,452 he saved while serving a 40 year prison sentence. But others want to has to use his skill with dynamite in order to keep his hands on his hard earned . . money. Directed by Andrew McLaglen. 1.50 Weather.

TV-am

9.25 Thames news headines.

9.30 For Schools: Chemistry in

action - aluminium 9.52

Maths: numbers and length 10.84 18th birthday

life of a market stall-holder

10.33 Writing the script for

Splitting images 11.00 Part one of the historical drama; The Sea Green Man 11.20 For the

hearing-impaired 11.37 How.

Captain Scott kept warm in the

12.00 Moschops. A puppet series

12.18 Our Backyard (r)

set in prehistoric times (r)

India; Annaka Rice on a cyling tour of the Lake District; and

Sara Hollamby and Jeremy Gittins from a flotilia holiday of

the coast of Yugoslavia (r).

Naws at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Themes news

1.30 A Country Practice.

2.30 On the Market A new series

of the tood magazine programme presented by:

Susan Brookes and Trevor-Hyett 3.00 Gems, Part one of a

new series of the drame set in

the Covent Garden workshops

of a fashion design company 3.25 Thames news headline

3.30 Sons and Dau

4.00 Moschops. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.10 The Telebugs. Cartoon series 4.20 The Wall Game.

Children from Westdene

4.45 The Book Tower, Roger

Junior School, Brighton, build-scenery based on three secret

McGough returns with eighth

series of the literary interest programme (Oracle).

5.45 News with Mactyn Lewis 6.00

8.25 Help) Viv Teylor Gee with news of a self-help group for sufferers of scollosis - lateral

curvature of the spine.

dogs' home turns out to be an-

6.35 Crossroads. A visit to the

7.00 This is Your Life, Eamonn

8.00 Duty Free. The first of a new

unsuspecting worthy to a

decides to tell Susan the truth about Mike Baldwin (Oracle).

series of comedies about two couples on a package holiday

Sinden and Windsor Davies

return in a new series of the

comedy about the two feuding

9.00 Lytton's Diary. Neville Lytton, after recovering from a brutal

story about scandal in

10.00. News at Ten with Alastair

Kurdistan. Weather.

10.30 Midweek Sport Special. Highlights from FA Cup third

round replays; Kevin Keegan previews this summer's World

Cup; and there is action from

the last quarterfinal match

of the Mercantile Credit

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12.15 Night Thoughts.

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7.30 Coronation Street, Ken

in Spain (Oracle).

5.30 Never the Twain, Donald

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lebrations 10.21 A day in the

6:15 Good Morning British ented by Anne Dist and Henry Kelly, News with Gordon Honeycombe at 8.17, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; exercises at 6.20 and 9,17; sport at 6.35 and 7,34; cartoon at 7,24; pop video view at 8.33; excerpts from the best of TV-am's first two years at 8.45; a discussion on the care of the elderly at 9.04. ITV/LONDON

9.00 Ceefax-

country.



Sara Scuderi in Tosca's Kiss, BBC2, 9,00pm

BBC 2

stretch, weigh and bounce

10.00 For four and five-year olds 10.15 Mathematical

Investigations: proportion 10.38 Maths: geometry 11.00 Words and plotures 11.17 The story of light 11.40 The story of four friends' cycle ride in the

12.10 GCSE: oral English 12.35 Part

one of a nine-programme series for espiring rock musicians 1.00 Methe for

adults taking O-level 1.15 Taking a short term

services 1.38 Alternative

of space travel.

5.00 The Royal Institution

4.30. World Darts. Tony Gubbs

introduces highlights or night's matches in the

Darts Championship.

of Professor David Pye's

starring Laurence Offvier an

British Ambassador to Italy

8.00 Frickley - The Changes. The

Vivien Leigh, The story of Lady Hamilton, the wife of the

and her affair with Horatio Nelson which shocked English

ecclety. Directed by Alexander

third programme in the series

tracing a year in the lives of

five people living in villeges

focuses on Beryl Lawton who

came to London with the Frickley Ladies Action Group

money for the miners' welfare

with the purpose of reising

8.35 World Darts. Tony Gubba

introduces action in the Embassy World Professional Darts Championship from the

Darts Championers from the
Lakesida Country Club;
Camberley.

9.08 Arene presents Tosca's Krss.
A documentary about a home
for retired opera singers—the
Casa Verdi in Milan (see

10.25 World Darts. The last match in

the second round of the

introduced by Tony Gubba.

from the Lakeside Country

commentators are Sld Waddell

and Tony Green. Followed by

Dublinesque, read by Cralg

11.45 World Darts. The final visit of

Professional Darts

the day to the Lakesida Country Club, Camberley, the

venus for the Embassy World

Championship. Ends et 12.15.

Darts Championship,

Club, Camberley, The

Philip Larkin's poem,

World Professional

Choice).

Raine

10.55 Newsnight

11 40 Westher

series on communicati

6.00 Film: Lady Hamilton* (1941)

3.00 Ceefax.

technology 2.00 How different clocks work 2.18 The first en

class in a series for nine-to-12

yeer olds 2.40 The early days

bassy World Professional

Christmas Lechares. The third

on in any of the

hts of last

9.38 Daytime on Two: Science -

TOSCA'S KISS (BBC 2, 9.00pm), Daniel Schmid's film about a Milan rest home for retired opera singers and classical musicians, tugs at the heart strings. I suspect there will be more than one viewer tonight who, watching the aged soprano Sara Scuder as she listens to her recorded younger self singing Viss! d'arte, will say with her: "How ailly of me. I atmost feel like crying." Overall, however, this is not a mawkish film. There are redeeming flashes of operatic temperament and one-upmanship. And flattery (wobbly voices are lauded as "Nearly better than Callas" or "almost like Caruso") is received with wry, wise, smiles. Alas, the film takes far too long over its addio - a

sweet old man's slow return journey

CHANNEL 4

introduces coverage of the opening frames of the third

4.00 A Plus 4. Kiri Te Kanawa takes

1.30 Countdown, Christopher ;

5.00 Alice. Mel discovers that he

his deviated septum and

5.30 Shakespeare Lives. Micheel

Messay, examines

time off from rehearsals for

Simon Boccanegra et Covent Garden to talk to Mavis

challenges yesterday's winner

has to have an operation on

wonders whether to use this

ee en opportunity to have his nose ramodalisd.

Bogdanov, with the help of

Shrew to try and discover i

6.00 The Christians. The first of a

the play debases women in.

Suzanna Bertish and Daniel

Shakespeare's Teming of the

13-part documentary, first . shown on ITV in 1977, in which

Bamber Gascoigne traces the Impact and influence of

Christianity through the ages.

Sissons and Alastair Stewart includes the last report from -

Gwynne Roberts in Kurdisten which shows an ambush close

Headquarters at Zekno, near the Syrian and Turkish

this week is filed by Andrew Hunter, Conservative MP for

Life's pionsering cinema news magazine. The March of Time,

1939 to its damise in 1951

documentary treding the history of black South African resistance under the

9.00 City Lovers. The first of five

films drainatized from short

story concerns a German

neologist, on a contract in

South Africa, who has an affair

with his coloured house girl.

and both the German and the girl are arrested. Starring Joe

starring Jeremy Irons. A drama, based on the novel by

-Marcel Proust, in which Irons

plays 5 wann, a 19th century Jawish Perisian who becomes captivated by a lady of

accompenies her to her home

Schlondorff. English subtities.

where he meets another, older woman, and his jeelousy le 'aroused: Directed by Volker

Stewardson and Yvonne .

10.00 Film: Swann in Lovs (1983)

doubtful virtue. He

Jacobs.

stories by the South African novelet Natine Gordiner. Thi

aderatio of Nelson Mandela

7.00 Channel Four news with Peter

to the Iraqi Divisional

7.50 Comment. The political slot

Basinostoke, Weather

8.00 The American Century. The first programme in the second series of the history of Time

borders.

(Oracla)

8.30 Neison Mandels.'A

quarterfinal in the Mercantile

2.30 Snooker. Dickle Davies

Cradit Classic.

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 As-Desmond Wilcox's documentary serial THE MARRIAGE (BBC 1, 9.30pm) deals CHOICE

only with the first year in the married life of Marc and Karen Jones, it is inevitably open-ended. Whether they live happily ever after or not is in the lap of the gods. There are clouds discernible on the horizon at the end of episode one. Theirs is what, rightly or wrongly, we think of as a modern marriage. Sexually, she did not believe in saving herself for marriage. He, always a lad for the girts, proposed to her in bed. She opts for a marriage vow that axcludes obedience. For him, Saturdays, after 12 noon, will be a write-off so far as domestic blise is concerned because, after rugger with the boys, it will be a night of drinking with the boys. And, as to

hopes that marriage has made him a

changed man, the most that Marc

will venture to say is that at least he has changed his underpants.

Radio 4

On long wave. 1 also VHF stereo. 5.55 Shipping Forecast, 8.06 News Briefing, Waather, 6.10 Farming Today, 8.25 Prayer for the Day,7 8.30 Today, Incl 8.30, 7.30, 8.30 News 8.55, 7.55 Wasther, 7.00, 8.00 News, 7.25, 8.25 Sport, 7.45

Thought for the Day.

8.43 More Wrestling Than Dancing.
David Moreau recalls more

9.00 News.
9.05 Michael: Libby Purves with studio guests.
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. Clay Jones is the chairman as Dr Stefan Buczacki, Geoffrey Stefan Buczacki, Geoffrey

Isleners' queries.

10.39 Morning Stary: Nothing to Worry
About by M. W. Jackson-Cox.
Reader: John Westbrook.

10.45 Daily Service (New Every

Morning, pege 118).†
11.90 News; Tievel; Station of the Stars. Radio Luxembourg invented the disc jockey and produced meny top broadcasters, incl Noel Edmonds, who tells the Story from its beginning in the 1930s.

11.48 Teach Yourself News-speak (new

series). Willem Davis elicits explanations from the entitie.
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer

12.90 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice, with John Howard.

12.27 The Mystery of the Blue Train by Agatha Christie. Dramatized in six parts (2) The Blue Train; With Maurice Denham, Janet Maw and Robert Bearry Ir).† 12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World At One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman a Hour, Includes an interview with PR specialist Lyrue Franks.

3.00 News; The Atternoon Pley. Anglars by Ned Shentoh. With David Ross. The story of a local angling club.?

angling club.?

3.47 Time for Varse, Graham Webster presents poems about the theatre. Resders Christopher Scott and Hugh Dickson.

4.05 The Sky's the Limit. William Davis reports from America on real estate in the sky (r).

Smith and Les Jones answer

attempts to come to grips with life (3). Growing Up with a Beng. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

 Practically every word of MASTER OLOF (Radio 3, 7.30pm) proclaims it to be minor Strindberg, but, as this is the first production of the play on British radio, it has considerable curiosity value and you cannot deny that this tale of a . edish embryonic Luther has been rousingly directed (in Michael Meyer's translation) by Martin Jankins, it is unimaginable as B stage play, despite the theatricality of much of the acting.

 The last, echoes of Christmas can be heard in A CAROL SERVICE FOR EPIPHANY (Radio 3, 4.00pm). from the Chapel of Trinity College, Cambridge, And it should be entertaining to be reminded in IT'S A FUNNY BUSINESS (Radio 2, 10.00pm) that there is more to Betty Driver than the gift of keeping the customers happy in Coronation Street's Rovers Return.

Peter Davalle

4.45 Kaleidoscope Extra. Michael Rosen and Pat Triggs discuss children's books with Chris Powling, 5.00 PM: News Magazine

6.00 News; Financial Report.
6.30 Transatientic Outz, Irens Thomas and John Julius Norwich challenge a United States team: Shena Alexander and Brendan

7.05 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Influences (new series). Bernard Rutherford talks to two people with a common link: Jeffrey Archer and Roy Hattersley, MP.1
7.45 Choices for Voices. Robert Lloyd confinues his investigation into continues his avestigation into the careers of singers.† 6.15 A Very Superior Baby, Marjorie Lofthouse on the work of the Repository of Germinal Choice. a Sperm-bank in California.

sperm-bank in Learonne.

9.90 Thirty-Minute Theatre, Without Fire by Wally K. Daly, With Paul Deneman and Norme Roneld (r).

9.30 Wives of the Great Composers.

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First of ten programmes,
presented by Fritz Spiegl.
9.45 Kateidoecope. Includes Alan
Bush's 85th birthday concert, and
the film, Orion's Bell.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Vice Versa by
F. Anstay 18). Reader: Devid
Davis. 10.29 Weather,
18.38 The World Toppth; 10.39 The World Tonight.
 11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
 11.30 A Better Brew. Colin Tudge talks to scientists and Industrialists

who are trying to change the traditional pim of ale.
News; Weather, 12.33 Shipping. WHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-8.00am Weether, Travel. 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 11.00-12.00 Per Schools: 11.00 Music Workshop, 11.25 Junior Drama Workshop, 11.45 Radio Club, 1.55-3.00ptc For Schools: 1.55 Listening Corner, 2.06 Looking at Neture, 2.20 Quest. 12.40 Pictures in Your Mind, 2.50 Carestins to Think About 5.50. Something to Think About, 5.50-5.55 PM (continued), 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-Time

Radio 3 6.55 Weather, 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert: Gluck's overture lphigenia in Aulis

Broadcasting: English Resource: 16 Plus.

(Saizburg Mozartsum Orchastra) Schumann'e Papilions (Parahia, plano); Telemann's Surte in A minor (Petri, recorder; Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields);† 8.00

9.05 Mozart's overture Cosi fan tutte (Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields): Revel's Cinq chansone populaires grecques (Margaret Pnce, soprano; James Lockhart, piano). Bartok'a Concerto foi

9.05 This Week's Compose Stravinsky. The cantate King of the Stars (Berlin RSO and Chorus): Three pieces for string country (Chilleminian): Britouris quartet (Chilingstan); Priboutik lou quartet (Chilingstan); Priboutik lou voice and eight instruments (John Shirley-Quirk, baritone and Ensemble Intercontemporaln); the ballet Petrushka (Lesile Howard, piano; and the LSO).† Johan Svendson. Violin Concer in A (Telletsen and Oelo

10.40 John Irelend: For remembrance Amberley Wild Brooks; The darkened valley; April; Sonats, Played by John Clegg, (pieno),f 11.25 BBC Welst SO (under Owain Arwel Hughes). With Isobel Buchanan (soprano). Canteloube'e Songs of the

Auvergne; Martinu's Sextet; d' Indy's Sextet, Op 92.1 1.00 1.05 The Essential Jazz Recorde: Max Harrison with recordings including Godchild, by the Red Norvo Trio, and Good bait, by Dizzy Gillespie.†
Matines Musicale: Ulster Orchestra (under Wordsworth), with Children Indicate).

1.36 N urchestra (under Wordsworth), with Christopher King (darinet) and Paul Schumann (clarinet). Mozart'e March in C, K 408 No 1 Alan Frank'e Sutte for two clarinets; Parry's Lady Radnor's Sulte; C Stamitz's Concerto in B flat for two clarinets and orchestra; Malcolin Arnold's Sintophera No 1 to 48 t Sinfonietta No 1 Op 48.1 2.30 Debussy Piano Works: Densa boheminenne; Balkade; Trois

images: L'Isle Joyeuse. Played by Eric Parkin (plano). I Poulenc and Dutifieux: Poulenc's Concerto in G minor for organ, 3.90 impari and string orchestre | French Nabonal Radio Orchestra, with Marie-Claira Alain (organ): Dutilleux's 5 ymphony No 2 (Lamoureux Orchestra). A Carol Service for Epiphany: from the Chapel of Trinity College, Cambridge 1, 4,55 Nees.

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the monarchy.t 8.40 Grieg: Zoltan Kocsis (piano) plays Lyric Pieces, Op 43.t 9.55 Six Continents: Ian McDougall with foreign radio broadcasts. monitored by the BBC. Penderecki: Te Deum (Cracow Radio SO under the

composer/Brighton Festival Chorus/and soloists Gadulanka, Baniewicz, Kendali and Andrzej Leonard). 11.00 Chember Music from Manchester: Meyumi Futikawa (violin), and Craig Shappard (pieno). Beethoven's Sonata in A. Op 12 No 2; Debussy Sonata in G minor: Mandelssohn's Sonata in F. Op 4.1 11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.

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6.00em Adrian John. 7.30 Mike Read. 9.30 Simon Bates. 12.30pm Newsbest (lan Perkinson). 12.45 Paul Jordan. 3.00 Steve Wright. 5.30 Newsbest (lan Parkinson). 5.45 Bruno Brookes. At 6.30, he reviews the new Top 30 album chart. 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 John Peel.t

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Syrians fire on Israeli jets

From Robert Fisk

Beirut The Syrian Army was yester-Samé anti-aircraft missiles at Israeli reconnaissance jets over the Bekaa Valley in the first incident of its kind since the Israelis complained about next Israelis complained about new rocket deployments inside Syria.

Christian "Voice of Lebanon" radio station said in a broadcast that one of the missiles exploded harmlessly above the Christian village of Deir el-Qalaa. Neither rocket reached its target.

The report came only an hour after Israeli air activity began over Beirut. Two loud sonic booms from a high-altitude reconnaissance jet could be heard across the Lebanese capital during the morning followed by the roar of several planes apparently heading east across the Sannine heights towards the Bekaa.

For several weeks now, the Israelis have curtailed their reconnaissance flights over the upper Bekaa. United Notice observers and Western embassy military attaches have noticed that the Israelis have limited their air operations west of a line running along the Mount Lebanon range and south of the plateau of land in the Arknuh, which once formed their frootline in Lebanon.

The radio report - which said that the Israeli jets released phosphorus balloons to deflect the heat-seeking missiles - came only a few hours after Mr. Shimoo Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister, had said that "Israel is not interested in war and is not seeking escalation". The danger of a flare-up existed, he said, but it should not take if both sides "behave properly".

 JERUSALEM: Israeli pilots who flew the reconnaisance mission over Lebanon yester-day said they were mystified by Syrian claims that missiles had been fired at them (Ian Murray

"The first thing the pilots heard about missiles was when we asked them after they landed about the Syrian claims," a defence spokesman have said. They certainly had no indication at all that anything had been fired at them.'



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Mr Cohn arriving for a 1954 Senate hearing and (right) conferring with McCarthy (centre) and another aide (right)

McCarthy ghost haunts a last-ditch battle

From Trevor Fishlock New York

Every now and then in America the ghost of Joseph McCarthy, the witchfinder eneral, appears. Here in New York it haunts an extraordinary struggle conduc-ted by his former associate, the remark-

ted by his former associate, the remarkable Roy Cohn. Mr Cohn is said to be dying, and he is fighting a court battle so that he should not die in disgrace.

Mr Cohn has many admirers in high places. He is also well-hated. There is an indelible image of him in many memories, of a serpent-like young man with hooded eyes, whispering into the ear of Senator McCarthy, his boss, as that monstrous demagogue and character-assassin stoked hysteria in the 1950s - and found few with the courage to opnose him. the courage to oppose him.

Roy Cohn, once a student prodigy. whose brilliance as a lawyer was match by his arrogance, was the senator's chief counsel, supplier of intelligence for the McCarthy machine. For this there are

many who cannot forgive him. The senator was discredited in 1954, exposed as a bully and liar, Mr Cohn, also a bully of witnesses, accepts that he will be known forever as Mr McCarthy's man, the

whisperer. But, like others, he thinks McCarthyism was a crusade, not odious. He called it recently "a decent hour in history" and said Mr McCarthy per-formed "a substantial service to the country, alerting it to the menace of

In the McCarthy years Mr Cohn was also known for his friendship with David Shine, and for the bizarre joint they made American embassies, with reporters following them and mischievously chanting: "positively, Mr Cohn, absolutely, Mr Shine."

Mr Cohn overreached himself, and perhaps hastened his master's fall by threatening to "wreck the army" if his friend were posted overseas.

His fame, or notoriety, as a McCarthy man, helped him to build a prosperous law business in New York. He had a long feud with Robert Kennedy - and was acquitted on three occasions when charged with swindling, bribery and blackmail.

He became ubiquitous, something of a power broker, a figure in society, an assiduous self-publicist, associate of career shou celebrities, President Reagan has sent him disbarusent.

get-well message. He has been an informal adviser on political matters in two Roman Catholic archbishops in New York, courtroom defender of Mafia bosses specialist in nasty divorce cases.

Today Mr Cohn, aged 58, faces professional dishonour. The New York legal disciplinary committee has rec-ommended his disharment for alleged misconduct: Wishandling - \$219,000 (£149,000) of money, ignoring federal court orders to repay a \$100,000 loan, being dishonest and decriful and lying under

Mr Cohn and his defenders see a vendetta. He has talked of left-wingers trying to smear him. He says the charges are not serious and that some of his accusers are deadbeat and yo-yo". His lawyers say he is dying of cancer, and there is a suggestion that a decent man is being spitefully kicked while he is down.

Next week Mr Cohn goes to the appeals division of the state Supreme Court, where his father was once a judge, to contest the disciplinary panel's order, so that his long career should not end with the stain of

Jopling claim on policy refuted

Agriculture Correspondent Mr William Waldegrave, Minister for the Environment, made it clear yesterday that he was determined to exercise his responsibilities for the countryside in spite of the insistence by Mr Michael Jopling, Minister of Agriculture, that his ministry's

policies encompassed all aspects

of conservation. Mr Waldegrave's speech to the Oxford Farming Conference was seen as further evidence of the continuing dispute over departmental responsibilities between the two ministers. It was clearly intended to assert his own position in reply to Mr Jophing, who, allegedly upset at not being asked to address the conference, issued his own "speech" at the weekend.

Mr Waldegrave emphasized that he was responsible for policies which were bound to be needed to supplement agri-cultural policy, and intimated that further legislation might be needed if farmers did oot put

their own house in order.

Asked later what form legilation might take, he said that it
would principally concern the
general area of landscape
conservation, but government
thinking was still at a very early
stage. stage.
I think Michael Jopling has

had the most difficult job of any Minister of Agriculture since I have been interested in farming or in politics," he added. "I do not think it would have been possible for any minister to have done the sort of things be has had to do and still remain

Mr Waldegrave succeeded in delighting his audience with a denunciation of those who attacked farmers as destroyers of the countryside. "The real war, for the environmentalist, is lo limit the permanent loss of countryside to urban and industrial development, and in that war farming is the only ally environmentalists have," be

He also insisted that a prosperous farming industry was essential for proper conservation. No environmentalist wanted the kind of agricultural depressioo represented by huge quantities of land going out of agricultural use.

Letter from Cartagena

Treasure returns to city of blood

blood-curdling oaths. Times change. Today Los britanicos trigger thigh-slapping mirth.

History here was written in blood over the centuries as mighty Royal Navy task forces and prices after the content of the content of the centuries as mighty Royal Navy task forces

and pirate fleets stormed this legendary city of the Spanish

conquistadores to relieve it of its booty.

At Cartagena, always de-fended by crack troops, the British lost consistently and often humiliatingly.
Founded in 1533, it was the

conquistadores' first bastion on the South American continent and, as a key port from which New World treasure was shipped back to Spain, it was built like a veritable Fort Knox, which in effect it was.

Drake, Hawkins and Ver-non knew Cartagena, but only Drake managed to break in and that was in the early days - 1586 - before its defences took on their almost impregnable, grandeur.
Today the city's formidable

forts and awesome seawalls stand silent beside the beautiful Bay of Cartagena across which cannonfire and battle cries once bellowed. Only when storm cloods gather, as they often do at dusk, is it just possible to conjure up images of tens of thousands of troops rushing to their posts along these ramparts, summooed by a look-out's sighting of a British fleet on the horizon. However now the hated

Britanicos are suddenly not only fuelling much hilarity but are also the toast of the town. Last year buccaneering British film producer David Puttnam and his Goldcrest company took Cartagena with-out a cannonball fired in anger, Puttnam's trick was to reverse the strategy of previous British invaders. He came oot to pillage but to iovest a considerable treasure

chest of his own. Goldcrest spent three mooths io Cartagena and a jungle region further oorth shooting a Latin American historical drama entitled The Mission, starring Robert de Niro and Jeremy Iroos. By the time they left Puttnam esli-mated that \$7.5 million (£5 million) of the film's \$20

At Cartagena oo Colombia's million budget had been spent in Colombia and forecast that of the British used to provoke there would be plenty more

where that came from.
Puttman believes that after the film is released this year. other international movie moguls will converge on

Colombia
"All the elements are here great natural beauty, varied climates, Indians, and a government which appreciates what films could mean in economic terms for Colom-

hia," he said. in fact, even the kind of big money Puttnam was talking about turns out to be small change compared with an-other windfall. For this, President Betancur hails the British talent for a good slot.

Or rather he was portrayed so doing in a recent newspaper cartoon which depicted the sunken Spanish galleon San Jose. This lies 1,000-ft under the waves in Colombian territorial waters nine miles from Cartagena from which it set sail for Spain in 1706 only to be sent to the bottom by the Royal Navy.

Whatever The Mission eventually makes at the box office, it is likely to prove strictly a supporting feature beside the raising of the San Jose, to be undertaken by the Colombian Government this year when an attempt will be

made to salvage the wreck.
Unlike the Titanic, the San José's wreck guards a truly fabulous treasure. It sank with what records show to have been the biggest cargo of gold. silver and jewels ever loaded from the Spanish colonies. The Cartageneros view all this with characteristic Caribbean humour but hope at the very least that publicity generated by both events will bring back international tourists driven away by the

recession. The town's tourist attractions are diverse, ranging from the old walled city enclosing charming narrow cobbled streets of classic Spanish colonial architecture to a beachfroot of skyscraper botels modelled on Miami. lts cannans may be silent, but Cartagena has lost oone of

Geoffrey Matthews

its thunder.

Today's events

New exhibitions

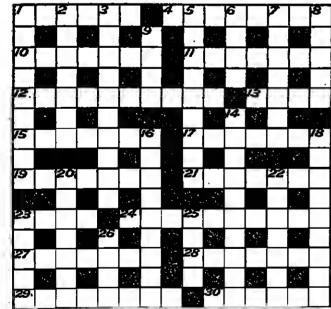
North-west cartoonists, The Portico Library and Gallery, 57 Mosley St. Manchester, Moo to Fri 9.30 to 4.30 (ends Jan 31). The German Woodcut in the 20th century; Collins Gallery, Strathclyde University, Richmood St, Glasgow, Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 12 to 4 (ends

Oblique Symbols: work by Tony

Watercolours, drawings and prints by Thomas Hearne; Victoria Art Gallery, Bridge St. Bath; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, San 2 to 5 (ends April 1).

Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 5 (ends Jan 11).

Artistry in Shadows: shadow Japanese prints: works from the first half of the nineteenth century (ends Jan 12); The Old and the New; election of the most historic and modern works from the permanent collection (ends Jan 19); Towner Art



ACROSS

- 1 Salesman quietly replaces source of fruit (6). 4 Urbane Aberdonian twice detailed for manoeuvres (8). 10 Primitive people's state accepted
- by the wisc (7). 11 On the Continent the swindle is continuing (7). 12 Boy returning to Crabbe's town
- gives a 23 ac (10). 13 Wrestling-bout occurring later in the year (4). 15 Carry on in the theatre (7).
 17 Vessel for every potential customer? 17).
- Inferior covering giving highest profit ouce (3-4). It One of Schahriah's birds? (7).
- 23 A pointer's share in the action 24 Weight-lifter and poor player hare about in Illinois (4-6).
- 27 Like Hyperioo, she was lost at sea (7). 28 He gives encouragement to one engaged in speculation (7).

 29 Bleach for each animal skin, as
- cockneys say (8). 30 Way an anarchist stood out riously (6).

1 Tread warily as a prohibitionist 2 Turn aside from girl on edge (7).

3 Chronicle thus described in plain language? (5-5).

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Gallery and Local History Museum, High St. Old Town, Eastbourne Moo to Sat 10 to 5. sity, Elvet Hill, Durham, Mon to Fri 9.30 to 1 and 2 to 5 (ends Feo 28).

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5 Encomiasts fabricating lies with gusto (9).
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7 A large bitter, say, for the lady's-

8 Feast no end of Kings (5).
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Carter and Stephen Johnson; Milton Keynes Exhibition Gallery, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Saxoo Gate East, Central Milton Keynes; Mon to Wed 9.30 to 6, Thurs and Fri 9.30 to 8, Sat 10 to 5 (ends Jan 25), Exhibitions in progress Creative embroidery, canvas work and other crafts by Joy Allfree; Frome Museum. I North Parade, Frome, Somerset; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Jan 10). All the Tea in China: the history of tea-drinking in Scotland; Pollok Paintings and watercolours by Emmy Dinkel-Keet and Michael Dinkel; Niccol Centre, Brewery Court, Cirencester, Glos; Mon to Fri 10 to 4.30, Sat 10 to 12.30 (ends Jan 30). Cadbury's National exhibition of children's art. The Herbert Art Gallery, Jordan Well, Bayley Lane, Coventry: Moo to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Jan 11). Concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; Wessex Hall, Peole, 7.30. The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,938 Hermany Kr Peringul Enc South Attion Rd Spain Pte Sweden Rr Sweden Rr Talks, lectures Talks, fectures The care and propagation of your house plants by Mr B Whitehead; Red Lodge, New Earswick, N Yorks, 7.30. Northern Bank lecture: Domesday Book and the geography of Norman England, Br Dr RobinGlasscock, Ulster Museum, Botanic Cardens Refuset 7 30 elm'is Do Retes for small denomin as supplied by Barcisys rates apply to travellen foreign currency business Gardens Belfast, 7.30. General The 32od London International Boat Show, Earls Court Exhibition Centre, Warwick Rd, SW5, Mon to Fri 10 to 8, Sat and Sun 10 to 7, admission £3.20, under 14s £1.60

puppets, silhouettes and scenes by Lotte Reiniger, Fairlynch Museum, Budleigh Salterton, Devon; Mon to Sun 2.30 to 4,30 (cods Jan 19).

China through Chinese eyes photographs by members of the Chinese Photographers Association; Oriental Museum, Dorham University

Anniversaries

Births: Affred Wallace, naturalist, Usk, Gwent, 1823; Wilkie Collins, novelist (The Woman in White), London, 1824; John Curtin, Prime London, 1824; John Curtin, Prime Minister of Australia. 1941-45, Creswick, Victoria, 1885; Solomen Bandaramaike, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka, 1956-59, Colombo, 1899; Elvis Prestey, Tapelo, Missouri, 1930. Deaths: Giotto, Florence, 1337; Galileo, Aroctri, Italy, 1642; Arcangelo Corelli, composer, Rome, 1713; Paul Verlaine, poet, Paris. 1895; Robert Stephenson Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Nyeri, Kenya, 1941; Richard Tanber, tenor, London, 1948.

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Books – novels

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The Literary Editor's selection of fiction of 1995 in translation:
A Soldier's Legecy, by Heinrich Boil (Secker & Warburg, 23.85)
Cranes at Dusic, by Hissko Matsubara (Secker & Warburg, 23.95)
Eratic Teles, by Alberto Morsvia (Secker & Warburg, 29.50)
Life and Fele, by Vasily Grossman (Collins Harvill, 215)
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The House of Spirita, by Isabel Allende (Cape, 23.95)
The Island of Crimes, by Vasily Akayonov (Hutchirmon, 210.95)
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Wales and the West: A30: Lane closures on Cambonne bypass, Cornwall. A338: Long term roadworks on the Salisbury to Fording-bridge road at Bodenham. A472: Major reconstruction in Bridge St and Castle St. Usik: Gwent: and Castle St, Usk, Gwent;

diversions. The North: M6: Work on central reservation between junctions 32 and 33, Lanarkshire. M61: Blacow Bridge (junction M61/M6): Con-struction of new motorway link on M61 at Walton Summit; left hand iane closure on both north and southbound carriageways. southbound carriageways.
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Best wines

In a blind tasting of 34 Chianti Riservas, the following three were judged outstanding: Grandicato Riserva della Corona, Chianti Classico Riserva 1978, Woolworths, £4.29; Ruffino Riserva Ducale Chianti Classico 1978, Findlater Mackie Todd, Bottoms In W. Mogrison or Peter Up, Wm. Morrison or Peter Dominic, £5.68-£5.85; Castello Victaionaggio Prima Vigna, Chiand Classico Riserva 1980, G. Belloni, NWI or La Vigneroune, SW7, £7.99-£10. Source: Decarter, Jan 1986.

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Channel Islands, SW England: Sunny

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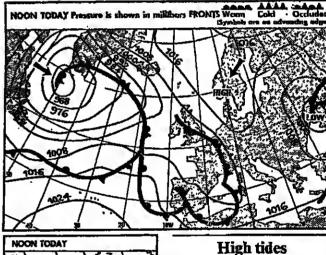
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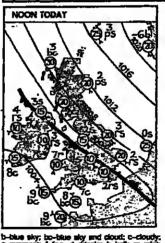
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